

That Old  
Watch or  
Clock of  
Yours Might  
Be Repaired



And yet give you good satisfaction for years. Watch and clock repairing is a branch of our business to which we give most careful attention. Someone may repair a watch to the best of his ability and it may be as troublesome as ever. That's the difference between expert work and ordinary work.

**We Employ Skilled Workmen, and Guarantee You Satisfaction**

Let us give you an estimate of the cost of putting your timepiece in good order.

**Challoner & Mitchell**

WATCHMAKERS AND JEWELERS, 47-49 GOVERNMENT ST.



**Hudson's Bay Company**  
Agents for British Columbia.

**Saturday's Bargain.**  
**B. & K. Rolled Oats**

30c, sack

**Dixie H. Ross & Co., CASH GROCERS**

**Papering and Kalsomining**

Does your house need painting or your walls require kalsomining or perhaps it is wallpaper you want? If so, call and inspect our patterns; it will certainly pay you. We carry the largest stock of wallpapers in the Province.

**J. W. MELLOR & CO., LIMITED, 78 FORT STREET.**

PHONE, 408.

Also carry a large stock of Painters' and Paperhangers' Supplies.

**CITY FISH MARKET**

93 Johnson Street.  
Opposite Store St. Phone 904.

**JUST OPENED**  
With a full supply of Fish, Poultry, Game, Fruits, Vegetables and all kinds of Shell Fish.

**FINEST HOUSE PAINTS, STAINS AND VARNISHES**  
**J. SEARS.**

Phone, B742. 91-93 Yates Street.

**CROW'S NEST STRIKE.**

Recognition of Union Appears to Be Real Issue—May Be Long Struggle.

(Special to The Times.)

Ottawa, Feb. 27.—The real issue in the Crow's Nest strike appears to be the recognition of the district union. Both sides seem determined in their respective attitudes. So long as this remains, the issue can only be decided by the relative strength of the parties, and nothing effected either by conciliation or arbitration.

W. L. Mackenzie King, deputy minister of labor, who is now at Fernie, may leave for Ottawa today. If both parties remain stubborn on this point the fight promises to be long and bitter.

D. A. Jones, of Milwaukee, has broken all bowling records with scores 232, 248, 203, total 683. The record last year, 649, was made by Strong, of Chicago.

The water of the whole ocean, it is estimated, contains in solution over 2,000,000 tons of pure silver.

## PROPOSITION FOR SETTLING STRIKE

**MINING COMMITTEE  
SUGGESTS CONCILIATION**

**Association Asks That Mining Legislation Contemplated by Government Be Submitted to Them.**

This morning's meeting of the Provincial Mining Association was taken up with the election of the officers for the ensuing year. A little division of opinion arose as to the selection of a president. John Keen, of Kaslo, who has with such great satisfaction filled the chair of the association, was elected. The name of J. B. Hobson was also submitted and received a very substantial vote. The only objection raised against Mr. Hobson's selection was that he represented a particular class, that of the placer mine owners, who might be seeking amendments to the laws. Mr. Hobson was elected vice-president.

A very high tribute was also paid to H. Mortimer-Lamb, the provisional secretary. Clive Phillippe-Wolley, A. L. Belyea and others spoke very highly of the work done by him. He was given an unanimous vote of thanks, and Mr. Belyea recommended that he be remembered in a substantial way for his services.

At the opening of the morning meeting a telegram was read from the secretary of state at Ottawa announcing that the resolution adopted with respect to the silver-lead industry had been referred to the Privy Council.

Frank Moberly asked to be permitted to read a paper on the Monro rail system, which was refused.

The joint committee on constitution and by-laws and on capital and labor reported that they had unanimously agreed to recommend the following:

"That article 4, section 8 of the constitution be amended to read:

"This association shall be non-political, and shall not permit discussion in any of its conventions or meetings on social problems nor shall it interfere in any way with labor unions; provided, however, that the association shall be at liberty to use its good offices in adjusting and settling mining labor difficulties."

The report was adopted. The adoption of the constitution and by-laws resulted in a vote of thanks being tendered the committee.

The previous acts of the convention on the motion of Mr. Heideman were endorsed by the association.

A. C. Galt and J. B. Hobson moved as follows:

"That having regard to the laxity which has heretofore been shown by the legislature of British Columbia in the enactment of laws and amendments to laws affecting the mining industry and the serious difficulties occasioned thereby, and having regard to the widely representative character of the association, and the fact that it includes within its membership many of the most competent authorities in this province to advise upon all matters affecting the mining industry. This association do respectfully urge upon the government and legislature of British Columbia the advisability of enacting that no legislation whatever affecting the mineral industry or any branch thereof shall be introduced unless the same has been approved by this association, or unless the association has been given a reasonable period not less than three weeks within which to consider and advise upon such intended legislation."

In supporting this, Mr. Galt said that he realized that this would be one of the great duties of the association. Statutes had been amended in the past without any previous notice to those directly interested. This worked many hardships. The association did not provide that legislation could not be introduced without this association considering it. All mine owners, mine workers, merchant, smelter and farming classes were represented, so that it was a body well adapted for this.

H. G. Stewart said that he was not of the opinion that this was just. He did not think this was for the welfare of British Columbia.

Mr. Galt, in explanation, said that it was intended only to give the association due notice to discuss any legislation before passing it, so that recommendations might be made by the association.

A motion of Mr. Lugin and Capt. Livingstone Thompson was proposed to lay the motion on the table.

A. E. Howse thought the labor man had nothing to fear, and supported this resolution.

Chris. Foley favored this. He thought the labor men as well as the mine owner should be prepared to intelligently discuss any matter which was intended to be legislated. It was more difficult to get legislation repealed than to have enactments made.

R. Marsh thought it was easier to check bad legislation by this means than by any other way.

Mr. Lugin thought the resolution was a dangerous one. If this association was to be given this right, why should not the grocers and the trades men have this right? (Cries of "Why not?") This was a dangerous thing. It aimed at doing away with representative government, and this organization became a political body. He thought governments should feel their responsibility and take that responsibility. It would mean the power of representatives in the legislation. He urged that the approaching



THE NEW HOTEL MOUNT BAKER AT OAK BAY.

As announced in the Times a few days since, ground will be broken shortly for the new structure at Oak Bay, which is to replace Mount Baker hotel at that point. Messrs. Macpherson & Holley, the architects of this city, have the plans in hand, and through their kindness, we will as that of Manager Virnie, the Times to-day prints a sketch plan of the new structure.

It will be noticed that the style of architecture of the new building differs radically from that of the old. The conventional hotel idea has been abandoned in favor of something infinitely more artistic and striking. The building in contemplation will be a study of the early English inn or country club house with its quaint gables and old-fashioned eaves. This picturesque kind of architecture is one which is coming more and more into favor, especially in tourist resorts, and has been adopted in more or less modified form, in some of the C. P. R. resorts.

This style of building is much more attractive to the pleasure-seeker than one fashioned on the conventional lines, and it can easily be imagined that the construction of such a building at Oak Bay will enhance, rather than detract from, the picturesqueness of the surroundings. The new hotel will stand on almost the same ground as the old, but will be a slight distance farther back from the road. It will be almost as spacious in accommodation as its predecessor, and will be so planned that wings may be added to it indefinitely, without marring

in the slightest, the harmony of its leading lines.

The architects have carried out an idea of the proprietors most successfully in keeping the sleeping apartments practically distinct from the more public parts of the building. As will be seen by the plan, these stretch away in a southwestern direction, from one of the rear corners of the main structure. One side of the wing commands a fine view of the sea, the other looks out on the wooded tracts and park in the rear of the building. This annex can be prolonged or amplified to almost any extent, and in this way the manager has provided for that development of tourist trade in Victoria of which we have already experienced a foretaste. The rooms are large but cozy, and about fifty in number. There are some additional rooms in the upper part of the main section, but the bulk of the sleeping accommodation is in the wing mentioned. This annex is seventy-five feet in length.

The main building has about 175 feet frontage; a wide veranda runs along the main portion of it, and this is approached by a low flight of steps from the lawn. Above this veranda are overhanging balconies, and from it the visitor enters a vestibule and rotunda somewhat in the shape of the letter L. Around this rotunda are the drawing rooms, writing room, reception room, etc., as well as the public offices. In it is situated an immense fireplace, into which great logs can be thrown, further enhancing the ancient tavern idea.

From this central section steps lead up to the dining and bar room respectively. This bar is also approached from the lawn, but by a device adopted by the architect, it and the billiard room adjoining are practically cut off from the rest of the house. Above the bar room, the dining room is carried up the full two stories to the roof, and around it runs a gallery, through which, and a winding staircase, the guests can approach the dining hall without communicating with the other portions of the building. This gallery, too, can be employed for the use of spectators when the dining room is being used for festive occasions, ball, etc.

Adjoining the main dining room, are private dining rooms, and these are so arranged that service to them can be given as efficiently from the kitchen, which is situated above the billiard room, as to the main dining hall. Beyond the kitchen again, provision is made for the servants' hall, and in the rear of the billiard room a bowling alley will be laid out, which has thus much in common with other parts of the building, viz., it can be enlarged to almost any extent.

Off the bar room are situated tap rooms, card rooms, wine cellar, etc., and to the billiard room a light is admitted to both sides. A quaint idea has been carried out in the carriage porch, shown in the left-hand corner of the cut. The outer base of this porch rests on the rock so well known to visitors to Oak

Bay, on part of which the old band stand stood. An ample drive passes through the stone arch, and from this rock a rubble wall is carried up to the top of the arch. Above this is a large, enclosed observatory, which can be employed for various purposes, and will serve as a band room or an observation tower, from which a large expanse of scene can be described, or can be converted, in conjunction with a wide veranda, which is not visible in the cut, into an impromptu dance hall. A winding staircase is carried up through the rubble, from the rock, to this balcony, which can also be approached from the house itself.

The building will be of brick, the upper part faced with plaster, and the insurance risk on it, therefore, will be much lighter than in the case of the old frame building. Needless to say, the architects have incorporated in the plan numerous artistic ideas which enhance the beauty of the building. Ingle-nooks, fireplaces and other odd conceits borrowed from old English architecture, have been made most effective in the harmony of the whole place, and will be among its most noticeable and best appreciated features to the guests of the house. Although the contract is not yet awarded, the proprietors are already commencing excavation work, so as to shorten, as far as possible, the time that must elapse before the completion of the whole work. The new house will open for trade not later than the first of July.

session of the House would have business interfered with, as a delay would have to ensue to allow this association to discuss any legislation.

The motion to lay the original motion on the table carried.

Mr. Hunter, Mr. P. P., submitted a petition signed by a large number of miners of Barkerville, as follows:

"That we, the miners of Cariboo, beg leave to submit that John Hopp, D. C. Laird and H. E. C. Gray, who were elected delegates at Barkerville, do not represent the miners or their sentiments; and that contrary to the views of some delegates we are strongly opposed to the granting of crown grants for placer holding, believing that the same would be detrimental to the interests of all miners;

"Resolved, that a better title be given placer leases by the assurance of the removal of the lease on expiration, and renewal to be on the terms and conditions of the original, if so received by the lessee;

"Resolved, that considering the fact that mineral and placer propositions are usually equally costly to develop, and that it costs as much or more to develop a placer lease as a mineral claim, and therefore, they be placed on an equal footing as regards work, and that in charging royalty, consideration be taken of the cost of development."

It was resolved to lay this on the table. Mr. Hunter asked that Mr. Hunter give all the information which he had respecting instructions from all parts of Cariboo.

Mr. Hunter rising to speak was called to order, if being held by the chairman that both he and Mr. Hobson were out of order. (Cries of "Order.")

Mr. Hunter wanted to know why Mr. Hobson was not called to order. (Cries of "Order.")

The resolution relating to boiler inspection was introduced.

A. B. Emery held that this was a question for experts, and not for the association. He moved that section 3 be struck out.

Mr. Hunter held that the Boiler Inspection Act was passed after the most careful consideration of the legislature. It was adopted to protect life, and this convention should not interfere with this. The subject of insurance companies' inspections had then been discussed, and it was found inadequate. He hoped they would defeat the motion.

E. B. Kirby said he was one of those who was seriously affected by this act. It was found more severe than that in force in other provinces of Canada or other countries. Boilers had been purchased by companies in this province which were bought in good faith and answering the inspection of other provinces and of the United States. Now an act came into force which did away with these in part or altogether. Plants on account of pressures being cut down from 130 pounds to 100 pounds, were rendered of no use. His company had a \$65,000 plant which by this was rendered useless on account of the heavy expense required to make it conform to

the conditions of the act. While he agreed with the motion, he moved an amendment recommending the government to consider the act with a view to amending it, and that they seek the opinion of experts in doing so.

Mr. Hazlewood, Phoenix, said the safe working pressures as provided by this act were exactly those adopted by the United States and British governments with reference to their warships. He hoped the motion would be defeated.

Major Dean, as a representative of insurance companies, was satisfied that a better protection was given by their inspections than that provided by the government. He suggested that an inspector-general might be appointed to examine insurance companies' inspectors and give them certificates to act. In this way expense would be saved by the government, and the inspection would be just as efficient.

Mr. Waddell wanted the engineers to settle the matter.

T. C. Wolfenden, Armstrong, said engineers in his district approved of this amendment.

Mr. Galt called attention to the fact that government inspection gave no insurance. Had the fees paid for that inspection been paid to insurance companies would have been afforded. He instanced a case of a Velvet mine, employing sixty or seventy men, being closed down for a week while the government boiler inspector was being telegraphed for all over the district. The act required forcing up.

Mr. Gaunce thought Mr. Kirby's amendment should satisfy all.

The amendment being put to the meeting it carried.

The rules of order were suspended, and the election of officers proceeded with.

On John Keen, Kaslo, being nominated, he advised the election of Mr. Hobson, who he felt was entitled to the honor as having been the ruling spirit in the organization.

A. C. Galt, in moving Mr. Hobson for the position, paid a glowing tribute to his work. He said that Mr. Hobson had actually initiated it, and they had profited by his experience.

Mr. Taylor said that the organization was due entirely to Mr. Hobson. They were here to-day solely on account of his efforts. It would be a mistake to pass Mr. Hobson over.

D. W. Higgins was asked to take the chair by Mr. Keen, who again pressed that they elect Mr. Hobson.

It was moved that the suggestion be acted upon.

Mr. Hazen held that in his district the chief objection to the association was that Mr. Hobson represented one idea, that of Crown granting placer mines.

Mr. Taylor and Mr. Belyea moved that Mr. Hobson be president and Mr. Keen vice-president. The chairman ruled that the motion was in order.

Mr. Emery took exception to the ruling of the chair, but the meeting upheld the ruling.

An amendment by Mr. Rolt to the effect that Mr. Keen be president and Mr. Hobson vice-president was thereupon carried.

Upon motion the vote was made unanimous.

For secretary the names of A. L. Belyea, K. C., Victoria; H. Mortimer-Lamb, Victoria; and Geo. Macdonald, Nelson, were put in nomination. A ballot being taken, A. L. Belyea was elected. Marston Williams was unanimously elected assistant secretary.

Discussion ensued upon the method of electing the remaining members of the executive. It was finally decided to leave the matter open until the convention next met, a decision being likely to be reached during the recess.

The meeting then adjourned until 4 o'clock this afternoon.

Notes.

The delegates are being driven around the city this afternoon as the guests of the Mayor and corporation. All the hacks in the city are in requisition. The drive will include Beacon Hill park, the Dallas road, Oak Bay and the new government house.

Premier Prior announced to the convention before adjournment that many invitations to dinner were on for this evening, and asked at what hour the convention could assemble in order that arrangements might be made for these functions. It was fixed for 8 o'clock.

Bullen Bros., of the Esquimalt marine railway, through the Mayor, has invited the delegates to visit their works and accept refreshments which would be provided.

TO SETTLE STRIKES.

Committee Recommend Appointment of Board of Conciliation.

There is a prospect that the convention may be instrumental in settling the Fernie strike. The committee on capital and labor disputes have prepared a resolution which will be presented to the convention providing that such matters shall be referred to a board of conciliation to be appointed by the government. It is suggested that the board be constituted as follows: One mine manager and one mine owner, both appointed by the government. These two shall select a third member, who shall be chairman. The board so constituted shall have power to examine witnesses under oath and shall inquire into the real causes of the particular trouble. They shall report to the

government, and the matter shall be made public through the press. The committee have fully considered the question before coming to this conclusion. Every side of it has been looked into, and it is believed that the various parties concerned will be favorable to this method. While it is not intended alone to affect the Fernie trouble, the committee have nevertheless had that matter in their mind when arriving at this conclusion.

**CUSTOMS REVENUE  
FOR EIGHT MONTHS**

**Professor Robertson Will Investigate Transportation of Perishable Articles to the Yukon.**

(Special to The Times.)

Ottawa, Feb. 28.—The customs revenue of the Dominion for the eight months of the fiscal year ending February 28th was \$23,434,042, an increase of \$2,758,832 over the eight months of the previous year. For the month the collections were \$2,081,170, an increase of \$350,844.

**Cold Storage.**

Representations have been received from Dawson by the government that there is plenty of field for private enterprise in providing cold storage facilities on the Yukon route. The deterioration of perishable articles en route to Dawson keeps the products at fabulous prices. Prof. Robertson, department of agriculture, has been asked to take up the question of refrigerator accommodation on one or two of the boats between Vancouver and Skagway, and refrigerator cars on the White Pass railway and cold storage equipment at White Horse. It is believed it would be a profitable investment for Canadian firms to erect up-to-date cold storage at White Horse and Dawson with refrigerators on boats plying between these two points. It is estimated that the Yukon consumes annually about five hundred thousand pounds of butter, besides large quantities of eggs, cheese, fruits, vegetables and other perishables. With cold storage at Dawson and White Horse, every Yukon boat during the season would be certain of a perishable cargo to fill their refrigerators and the people of the Yukon would be able to get fruit and farm products at reasonable rates. The trouble at present is that the freight rates have to be paid, not only on stuff that arrives at its destination in good condition but also on that which has been spoiled en route, and owing to changes in temperature, especially on boats, the proportion of deteriorated goods is very large.



## Persian Cream FOR THE TOILET.

Ladies will find this an excellent preparation for overcoming the baneful effects of March winds. Gentlemen find it a luxury after shaving. 25c. per bottle, at

Campbell's Prescription Store,  
COR. FORT AND DOUGLAS STS.

## Increase Your Profits By Reducing Expenses

We can assist you to effect this result if you communicate with us, and we can at the same time give you the best light for all purposes.

## Electric Light

Cannot be approached by any other for store lighting. Try it and be convinced.

## B. C. Electric Ry. Co.

35 YATES STREET.

## THE BY-LAWS AND CONSTITUTION

### SUBMITTED TO THE MINING CONVENTION

### Knotty Question of Excluding Labor Problems From Business of Meet- ings Fully Discussed.

The Provincial Mining Association has proved to the public mind that it is here to transact business. Yesterday afternoon the convention occupied the great part of the time in a discussion of the constitution as brought in by the committee appointed for that purpose. In that connection the knotty question of how far the association should go in dealing with questions affecting labor came up, and was very fully discussed by the members present. In Chairman Keen, of Kelso, the convention has a model presiding officer, who has all along kept the members well down to business and materially assisted in the dispatch of work.

Upon assembling in the afternoon an invitation was extended to the citizens of Victoria to attend the meetings of the convention.

The resolution respecting boiler inspectors, as contained in the report of the committee on resolutions, was, on motion, after some little discussion, referred back to the committee again for consideration.

On motion of A. C. Galt, Rossland, and Mr. Loveridge, Atlin, the following resolution was introduced as recommended by the committee:

"That owners of Crown granted mineral claims sold for taxes should have the same rights of redemption for six months as is accorded to all other owners of Crown granted or other lands sold for taxes."

It was suggested that six months time was not long enough for this right of redemption to be open.

M. Lumberger, Grand Forks, thought six months was long enough for any man to redeem his property.

Harry Smith, Duncan, held that they had wasted a lot of time in needless discussion of subjects. Six months time was long enough in which to redeem property. No one should be allowed longer time, and thus keep capital out of the country.

The motion was carried.

The resolution relating to free miners' certificates was introduced by C. H. Laurin and F. Richards. It was as follows:

"Resolved, that it is the opinion of this convention that the law relating to free miners' certificates should be amended, so that failure to keep up a free miner's certificate shall not work forfeiture of rights required under it."

Mr. Laurin said he had introduced this resolution at the suggestion of several Victoria members of the association who were not delegates. The question was simply one to protect the interests of the prospector.

Mr. Skinner, Atlin, asked what would be the use of getting a free miner's license if this was carried.

The chairman explained that in the state of Washington a sliding scale was arranged by which companies' licenses were issued at a cost of \$10 if taken out on the 30th of June, and increased payment demanded if not taken out until later. A fine was thus imposed.

M. Mortimer-Lamb suggested that amendments be asked to the Mineral Act, so that failure to carry out the regulations should not work forfeiture of mineral property. It was unfair, he said, to many men that forfeiture should be the penalty for failure to carry out the regulations. Many men in good faith lost their property by the carelessness of an agent. The mining recorder should be instructed to issue notices of the infraction of a fine for failure to carry out the regulations. This might be made to apply up to six months.

S. S. Taylor, Nelson, held that many men by error had lost property. It was a mistake to have such legislation, as it worked a grievance to the prospector. He supported the resolution.

A. C. Galt said that the subject of forfeiture of mineral claims resulted in endless litigation in Rossland in the days when they had prospectors in that coun-

try, which unhappily was not the case now, owing to the depression. He insisted ways in which by the absence of a free miner's license or a record of work somewhere in the chain of a transaction lost a property through no fault of the then owner of the claim.

The motion was carried.

The list of the resolutions recommended in the committee's report was then reached, when A. L. Belyea said that the suggestion came into the committee unsigned.

Leslie Hill moved the adoption of the resolution, which was as follows:

"Resolved, that for the purpose of taxation Crown granted mineral claims should be placed in the same position as other mineral claims, and that the exemption from the tax imposed by section 145 of the Mineral Act should be extended to all groups of Crown granted claims, upon any one of which claims the assessment work for the whole group may have been performed."

He said that it was never intended he thought that a company should be forced to spend \$200 a year on every claim which it might hold in a group. Work thus applied would be useless to the company.

Mr. Galt pointed out that a company under the section alluded to was forced to pay 25 cents an acre on the adjoining claims, even after sufficient work had been done on one claim to satisfy the demands of the law for all of them.

The resolution was adopted unanimously.

A further report was received from the committee on resolutions.

Alex. Grant moved the adoption of the report, which was carried.

The committee on constitution and by-laws report was received, and it was decided to discuss it at once.

The report, after amendments, was as follows:

CONSTITUTION.  
Article I.  
This organization shall be known as The Provincial Mining Association of British Columbia.

Article II.  
Sec. 1. The officers of this organization shall be a president, vice-president, secretary, assistant secretary, treasurer and an executive committee, consisting of twenty-five members to be selected to the number of five each of the following classes, viz:

Class One—Prospectors, mine workers and smaller workers.  
Class Two—Mine operators and owners.  
Class Three—Smelter owners and managers.  
Class Four—Business and professional men.  
Class Five—Farmers, ranchers and others.

Sec. 2. All officers to serve for the period of one year, or until their successors are elected by the association.

Sec. 3. The president, vice-president, secretary, assistant secretary, treasurer and executive committee shall be elected by the association.

As Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription for women's diseases. No one knows this better than the woman who has tried local doctors and many medicines and found no cure until she began the use of "Favorite Prescription." It establishes regularity, stops weakening drains, heals inflammation and ulceration and cures female weakness. It makes weak women strong and sick women well.

"I was troubled for three years with ulceration and female weakness and my doctor gave me but little relief," writes Mrs. Lela Hunter, of Allenton, St. Louis Co., Mo. "I saw an advertisement in the paper of Doctor Pierce's Favorite Prescription, and began the use of it about a year ago. I took five bottles of it and one bottle of 'Golden Medical Discovery,' and my health is better now than it was years ago. I have also recommended these medicines to some of my friends, who suffered from female weakness, and good results have followed."

Dr. Pierce's Common Sense Medical Adviser is sent free on receipt of 31 one-cent stamps to pay expense of postage and mailing only. Address Dr. R. V. Pierce, Buffalo, N. Y.

Secretary and treasurer of the association shall be ex-officio officers of the executive committee.

Sec. 4. A general convention of this association shall be held annually in Victoria, or such other place as may be selected by the preceding annual convention, the date to be fixed by the executive committee.

Article III.  
Sec. 1. The executive committee of this association shall have full power to transact all business of the association, except such as shall be transacted at any general meeting of the association.

Sec. 2. The district organizations shall submit for the consideration of the executive committee all questions, matters and resolutions that they may desire to have submitted or brought before the government or legislature of the province, or the government or parliament of Canada, and the executive committee shall have the sole and exclusive right and power to convey or submit to such government, legislature or parliament such questions, matters or resolutions, and may so convey or submit the same in such manner as the executive committee may deem proper.

Sec. 3. No new legislation or amendment of any existing legislation shall be brought by a district organization except through the medium of the executive committee, who shall have power to modify or change any such suggested legislation or to decline to submit the same to either of the government or parliament of the province or of Canada.

Sec. 4. All meetings of the executive committee shall be open to the public, and the same shall be held at such time as they may determine. Special meetings of said committee may be called by the president, whenever deemed advisable, and upon the written request of any five members of the committee, the president shall call a meeting thereof.

Providing that the fixing of headquarters for the holding of the executive committee meetings elsewhere than in Victoria, as might be necessary, or advisable.

Sec. 5. At all meetings of the executive committee seven members shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business. Each member of the committee shall be permitted personally, by mail, or telegram to send a substitute, of such intended meeting.

Sec. 6. The secretary shall receive such compensation for his services as the executive committee may, from time to time, determine.

These by-laws may be amended at any annual convention of the association, upon an affirmative vote of two-thirds majority of delegates present.

ORDER OF PROCEEDINGS  
At Meetings of This Association.  
1. Reading of minutes.  
2. Reading of minutes.  
3. Original communications.  
4. Reports of committees.  
5. Enquiries and answers thereto.  
6. Presentation and consideration of resolutions of officers and committees.  
7. Motions.  
8. Introduction and consideration of by-laws.  
9. Unfinished business.  
10. Election of officers and committees.

Upon the consideration of clause six, referring to the power of the executive, Dr. Sinclair wanted to know if this gave the power to the executive to initiate business and bring it before parliament without reference to the district associations.

Dr. Sinclair: "No."

Mr. Taylor explained that this was put in so that no section of the industry or of the country should be able to bring matters relating to legislation without passing through the hands of an executive representative of every section of the industry and the country. He said that he would be met with if the local organizations were permitted to approach parliament with their own grievances.

Dr. Sinclair: "No."

Mr. Taylor said he differed from Dr. Sinclair in the respect that enough had been seen heretofore in the province to prove this ground taken by him. The committee, he said, had discussed the question whether the executive should have power to initiate business. It had been decided to leave this to the meeting to decide.

Mr. Galt pointed out that the wording of the constitution now under discussion seemed to take away the power of the district associations.

FOR SALE—A seven roomed cottage, very cheap; five minutes' walk from Post Office. For particulars address 144, Times.

HARVEY CABBAGE PLANTS—50c. per 100, \$20. per 1,000; delivered. Mt. Tolmie Nursery.

SILVER LACED WYANDOTTES—Eggs for hatching, \$1.00 per setting. Leave orders Jaxi House, W. H. Palmer.

FOR SALE—Bell organ, new, \$50, at \$5 per month; Singer sewing machine, latest improved, drop head, 40c. cash; lady's M. K. new Hamlet, \$25 cash. S. B. Sutton, 122 Douglas street.

FOR SALE—Grocery business, good location, at invoice price. Address Grosvenor, Times.

FOR SALE—Thoroughbred Irish water spaniel bitch; broken to retrieve. Thomas, Linbury, Broad street.

PROPAGATED AND FOR SALE—All trees, shrubs, etc., adapted to this climate. See our illustrated catalogue sent free. At Mt. Tolmie Nursery, G. A. Knight, Prop.

FOR SALE—Millstream lime. Apply at Fort's Wharf; telephone 523. A. Pike & Sons.

FOR SALE—House and outbuilding, with five and three-quarter acres under cultivation, including one hundred and thirty fruit trees, also small fruit. Apply G. Alexander, near North Dairy Pumping Station.

RUBBERS: RUBBERS: RUBBERS:—Shoes, heaters, furniture, tools, etc. At Edson's Junk Store, 125 Fort street, 2 doors from Blanchard.

FOR SALE—1,000 blacking tin, new and clean, at a sacrifice. Apply J. G. Goss, 185 Douglas street.

BABY BUGGIES AND GO-CARTS, bone cutter, Singer sewing machine, furniture, all kinds of stoves, Old Christy Shop, opp. Blanchard and Yates streets.

FOR SALE—New lot on South Turner street, on sewer; price \$500. Hesterman & Co.

er locality shall be permitted to send more than twenty delegates.

Sec. 7. The association shall be non-political, and shall have nothing to do with any labor problems, nor shall it interfere in any way with labor unions.

Sec. 8. This constitution may be amended at any annual convention of the association upon an affirmative vote of two-thirds of delegates present.

BY-LAWS.  
1. The executive committee shall be authorized to appoint from among themselves by vote, or through the president, an auditing committee, which shall also serve as a finance committee, and such other committees as they or the president shall deem necessary or proper. The duties of such committees shall be outlined by the executive committee.

Sec. 2. All vacancies of the officers of the association or members of any committee, and vacancies of the officers of the association or members of any committee, shall be filled by the executive committee.

Sec. 3. The executive committee shall have power to receive and hold property for the association, and to dispose of the same in such manner as the executive committee may deem proper.

Sec. 4. The executive committee shall have power to receive and hold property for the association, and to dispose of the same in such manner as the executive committee may deem proper.

Sec. 5. The executive committee shall have power to receive and hold property for the association, and to dispose of the same in such manner as the executive committee may deem proper.

Sec. 6. The executive committee shall have power to receive and hold property for the association, and to dispose of the same in such manner as the executive committee may deem proper.

Sec. 7. The executive committee shall have power to receive and hold property for the association, and to dispose of the same in such manner as the executive committee may deem proper.

Sec. 8. The executive committee shall have power to receive and hold property for the association, and to dispose of the same in such manner as the executive committee may deem proper.

Sec. 9. The executive committee shall have power to receive and hold property for the association, and to dispose of the same in such manner as the executive committee may deem proper.

Sec. 10. The executive committee shall have power to receive and hold property for the association, and to dispose of the same in such manner as the executive committee may deem proper.

Sec. 11. The executive committee shall have power to receive and hold property for the association, and to dispose of the same in such manner as the executive committee may deem proper.

Sec. 12. The executive committee shall have power to receive and hold property for the association, and to dispose of the same in such manner as the executive committee may deem proper.

Sec. 13. The executive committee shall have power to receive and hold property for the association, and to dispose of the same in such manner as the executive committee may deem proper.

Sec. 14. The executive committee shall have power to receive and hold property for the association, and to dispose of the same in such manner as the executive committee may deem proper.

Sec. 15. The executive committee shall have power to receive and hold property for the association, and to dispose of the same in such manner as the executive committee may deem proper.

Sec. 16. The executive committee shall have power to receive and hold property for the association, and to dispose of the same in such manner as the executive committee may deem proper.

Sec. 17. The executive committee shall have power to receive and hold property for the association, and to dispose of the same in such manner as the executive committee may deem proper.

Sec. 18. The executive committee shall have power to receive and hold property for the association, and to dispose of the same in such manner as the executive committee may deem proper.

Sec. 19. The executive committee shall have power to receive and hold property for the association, and to dispose of the same in such manner as the executive committee may deem proper.

Sec. 20. The executive committee shall have power to receive and hold property for the association, and to dispose of the same in such manner as the executive committee may deem proper.

Sec. 21. The executive committee shall have power to receive and hold property for the association, and to dispose of the same in such manner as the executive committee may deem proper.

Sec. 22. The executive committee shall have power to receive and hold property for the association, and to dispose of the same in such manner as the executive committee may deem proper.

Sec. 23. The executive committee shall have power to receive and hold property for the association, and to dispose of the same in such manner as the executive committee may deem proper.

Sec. 24. The executive committee shall have power to receive and hold property for the association, and to dispose of the same in such manner as the executive committee may deem proper.

Sec. 25. The executive committee shall have power to receive and hold property for the association, and to dispose of the same in such manner as the executive committee may deem proper.

Sec. 26. The executive committee shall have power to receive and hold property for the association, and to dispose of the same in such manner as the executive committee may deem proper.

Sec. 27. The executive committee shall have power to receive and hold property for the association, and to dispose of the same in such manner as the executive committee may deem proper.

## The Grip Leaves Thousands in its Path Weak, Nervous, Dyspeptic, Catarrh Wrecks.



For Grip and the after effects, see Dr. J. H. Hartman, President of the Hartman Sanitarium.

Victims of catarrh of the head, catarrh of the throat, catarrh of the lungs, catarrh of the stomach, catarrh of the kidneys, catarrh of the pelvic organs, are to be counted by hundreds of thousands. Grip is epidemic catarrh, and sows the seed of chronic catarrh within the system.

This is so true that few grip sufferers are able to make a complete recovery until they have used Peruna.

Never in the history of medicine has a remedy received such unqualified and universal eulogies as Peruna.

A New York Alderman's Experience.  
Hon. Joseph A. Flinn, alderman Fifth District, writes from 304 Christopher street, New York City, as follows:

"When a pestilence overtakes our people we take precaution as a nation to preserve the citizens against the dread disease."

"La grippe has entered thousands of our homes this fall, and I noticed that the people who used Peruna were quickly restored, while those who depended on doctor's prescriptions, spent weeks in recovering, leaving them weak and emaciated."

"I had a slight attack of la grippe and at once took Peruna, which drove the disease out of my system in a few days and did not hinder me from pursuing my daily work."

"I should like to see our Board of Health give it official recognition and have it used generally among our poor sick people in Greater New York."

Joseph A. Flinn.  
D. L. Wallace, a charter member of the International Barber's Union, writes from 15 Western avenue, Minneapolis, Minn.:

"Following a severe attack of la grippe I seemed to be affected badly all over. I suffered with a severe headache, indigestion and numerous ills, so I could neither eat nor sleep, and I thought I would give up my work, which I could not afford to do."

"One of my customers who was greatly helped by Peruna advised me to try it, and I procured a bottle the same day. I used it faithfully and felt a marked improvement. During the next two months I took five bottles, and then felt perfectly well. Now my head is clear, my nerves steady, I enjoy food, and rest well. Peruna has been worth a dollar a dose to me."

D. L. Wallace.  
Mr. O. H. Perry, Atchison, Kansas, writes:

"Again, after repeated trials of your medicines, Peruna and Manalin, I give this as my expression of the wonderful results of your very valuable medicine in its effects in my case after repeated trials."

"First, it cured me of chronic bronchitis of fifteen years' standing by using two bottles of Peruna in January, 1894, and no return of it."

"After I was cured of bronchitis I had la grippe every winter for several winters. But, through the use of Peruna, it got gradually weaker in its severity, until it dwindled down to a mere stupor for two or three days. Now the stupor does not trouble me any more."—O. H. Perry.

A Congressman's Experience.  
House of Representatives, Washington, D. C.  
Peruna Medicine Co., Columbus, Ohio.  
Gentlemen—"I am more than satisfied with Peruna, and find it to be an excellent remedy for the grip and catarrh. I have used it in my family and they all join me in recommending it as an excellent remedy."

Very respectfully,  
George H. White.  
If you do not receive prompt and satisfactory results from the use of Peruna, write at once to Dr. Hartman, giving a full statement of your case, and he will be pleased to give you his valuable advice gratis.

Address Dr. Hartman, President of The Hartman Sanitarium, Columbus, O.

results of your very valuable medicine in its effects in my case after repeated trials.

"First, it cured me of chronic bronchitis of fifteen years' standing by using two bottles of Peruna in January, 1894, and no return of it."

"After I was cured of bronchitis I had la grippe every winter for several winters. But, through the use of Peruna, it got gradually weaker in its severity, until it dwindled down to a mere stupor for two or three days. Now the stupor does not trouble me any more."—O. H. Perry.

A Congressman's Experience.  
House of Representatives, Washington, D. C.  
Peruna Medicine Co., Columbus, Ohio.  
Gentlemen—"I am more than satisfied with Peruna, and find it to be an excellent remedy for the grip and catarrh. I have used it in my family and they all join me in recommending it as an excellent remedy."

Very respectfully,  
George H. White.  
If you do not receive prompt and satisfactory results from the use of Peruna, write at once to Dr. Hartman, giving a full statement of your case, and he will be pleased to give you his valuable advice gratis.

Address Dr. Hartman, President of The Hartman Sanitarium, Columbus, O.

results of your very valuable medicine in its effects in my case after repeated trials.

"First, it cured me of chronic bronchitis of fifteen years' standing by using two bottles of Peruna in January, 1894, and no return of it."

"After I was cured of bronchitis I had la grippe every winter for several winters. But, through the use of Peruna, it got gradually weaker in its severity, until it dwindled down to a mere stupor for two or three days. Now the stupor does not trouble me any more."—O. H. Perry.

A Congressman's Experience.  
House of Representatives, Washington, D. C.  
Peruna Medicine Co., Columbus, Ohio.  
Gentlemen—"I am more than satisfied with Peruna, and find it to be an excellent remedy for the grip and catarrh. I have used it in my family and they all join me in recommending it as an excellent remedy."

Very respectfully,  
George H. White.  
If you do not receive prompt and satisfactory results from the use of Peruna, write at once to Dr. Hartman, giving a full statement of your case, and he will be pleased to give you his valuable advice gratis.

Address Dr. Hartman, President of The Hartman Sanitarium, Columbus, O.

results of your very valuable medicine in its effects in my case after repeated trials.

"First, it cured me of chronic bronchitis of fifteen years' standing by using two bottles of Peruna in January, 1894, and no return of it."

"After I was cured of bronchitis I had la grippe every winter for several winters. But, through the use of Peruna, it got gradually weaker in its severity, until it dwindled down to a mere stupor for two or three days. Now the stupor does not trouble me any more."—O. H. Perry.

A Congressman's Experience.  
House of Representatives, Washington, D. C.  
Peruna Medicine Co., Columbus, Ohio.  
Gentlemen—"I am more than satisfied with Peruna, and find it to be an excellent remedy for the grip and catarrh. I have used it in my family and they all join me in recommending it as an excellent remedy."

Very respectfully,  
George H. White.  
If you do not receive prompt and satisfactory results from the use of Peruna, write at once to Dr. Hartman, giving a full statement of your case, and he will be pleased to give you his valuable advice gratis.

Address Dr. Hartman, President of The Hartman Sanitarium, Columbus, O.

results of your very valuable medicine in its effects in my case after repeated trials.

"First, it cured me of chronic bronchitis of fifteen years' standing by using two bottles of Peruna in January, 1894, and no return of it."

"After I was cured of bronchitis I had la grippe every winter for several winters. But, through the use of Peruna, it got gradually weaker in its severity, until it dwindled down to a mere stupor for two or three days. Now the stupor does not trouble me any more."—O. H. Perry.

A Congressman's Experience.  
House of Representatives, Washington, D. C.  
Peruna Medicine Co., Columbus, Ohio.  
Gentlemen—"I am more than satisfied with Peruna, and find it to be an excellent remedy for the grip and catarrh. I have used it in my family and they all join me in recommending it as an excellent remedy."

Very respectfully,  
George H. White.  
If you do not receive prompt and satisfactory results from the use of Peruna, write at once to Dr. Hartman, giving a full statement of your case, and he will be pleased to give you his valuable advice gratis.

Address Dr. Hartman, President of The Hartman Sanitarium, Columbus, O.

results of your very valuable medicine in its effects in my case after repeated trials.

"First, it cured me of chronic bronchitis of fifteen years' standing by using two bottles of Peruna in January, 1894, and no return of it."

"After I was cured of bronchitis I had la grippe every winter for several winters. But, through the use of Peruna, it got gradually weaker in its severity, until it dwindled down to a mere stupor for two or three days. Now the stupor does not trouble me any more."—O. H. Perry.

A Congressman's Experience.  
House of Representatives, Washington, D. C.  
Peruna Medicine Co., Columbus, Ohio.  
Gentlemen—"I am more than satisfied with Peruna, and find it to be an excellent remedy for the grip and catarrh. I have used it in my family and they all join me in recommending it as an excellent remedy."

Very respectfully,  
George H. White.  
If you do not receive prompt and satisfactory results from the use of Peruna, write at once to Dr. Hartman, giving a full statement of your case, and he will be pleased to give you his valuable advice gratis.

Address Dr. Hartman, President of The Hartman Sanitarium, Columbus, O.

results of your very valuable medicine in its effects in my case after repeated trials.

"First, it cured me of chronic bronchitis of fifteen years' standing by using two bottles of Peruna in January, 1894, and no return of it."

"After I was cured of bronchitis I had la grippe



**The New Vancouver**  
Coal Mining & Land Co.  
LIMITED.  
Supply from their Nanaimo, South Island and Protection Island Collieries  
**Steam Coal**  
of the following grades:  
Double Screened Lump,  
Run of the Mine,  
Washed Nuts and Screenings  
SAMUEL H. ROBINS - SUPERINTENDENT

**The Daily Times.**  
(Published every day except Sunday)  
by the

**Times Printing & Publishing Co.,**  
JOHN NELSON, Manager.

Office: 26 Broad Street  
Telephone: No. 45

Daily, one month, by carrier ..... \$7.50  
Daily, one week, by carrier ..... \$2.00  
Twice-a-Week Times, per annum ..... \$1.00

All communications intended for publication should be addressed "Editor the Times," Victoria, B. C.

Copy for changes of advertisements must be handed in at the office not later than 5 o'clock a. m.; if received later than that hour, will be changed the following day.

The DAILY TIMES is on sale at the following places in Victoria:

Cashmore's Book Exchange, 105 Douglas St.  
Emery's Cigar Stand, 23 Government St.  
Knight's Stationery Store, 75 Yates St.  
Victoria News Co., Ltd., 55 Yates St.  
Victoria Book & Stationery Co., 61 Gov't St.  
E. N. Hibben & Co., 90 Government St.  
A. Edwards, 51 Yates St.  
Campbell & Co., 51 Gov't St.  
George Marshall, cor. Yates and Gov't St.  
H. W. Walker, grocery, Esquimalt road.  
W. Wilby, 51 Douglas St.  
Mrs. Crook, Victoria West post office.  
Pope Stationery Co., 115 Government St.  
E. Redding, Craigflower road, Victoria W.  
E. T. McDonald, Oak Bay Junction.  
Orders taken at Geo. Marshall's for delivery of Daily Times

The TIMES is also on sale at the following places:

Seattle-Lowman & Sanford, 616 First Ave. (opposite Pioneer Square), Vancouver-Galloway & Co., New Westminster-B. Mow & Co., Kamloops-Smith Bros., Dawson & White Horse-Bennett News Co., Rossland-M. W. Simpson, Nanaimo-B. Plimbury & Co.

#### AMERICAN OPINION.

The Seattle Post-Intelligencer, commenting on the protests of Canadians against the "jurists of repute" who have been appointed by President Roosevelt on the commission which will undertake to interpret the terms of the treaty of 1825 and settle for all time the dispute between this country and the United States in regard to the Alaska Boundary, asks: "Did it ever occur to the Canadian press that there is a singular impudence in their protest against the selections made by the president of the United States of a commission to settle a matter in dispute between the government of the United States and the King of Great Britain, in which the Canadian government, strictly speaking, has no right to interfere. Great Britain may be prepared in a spirit of conciliation to listen to some suggestions from Canada as to the personnel of the British commissioners, or even to give the Canadians representation upon that commission. But it would be rank impudence on the part of Great Britain herself to attempt to dictate the selection of the American members of the commission." That is, Canadians should stand meekly by, as of yore, and submit to such a disposition of their territory as will most effectively cement the British-American entente. But Canadians think they have legitimate grounds for a protest, and the press will hardly be deterred from giving expression to the opinions of the public of this country by such weak attempts at justification as those of the Post-Intelligencer.

The contention of United States newspapers is that no American "jurist of repute" can be found who is not prejudiced in favor of the position of his country. "If they are not prejudiced now," says the Post-Intelligencer, "they will be as soon as they have studied the question at all and have seen how flimsy is the Canadian contention and how it seeks to overturn the accepted interpretation of a treaty between Great Britain and Russia, made a generation before the Dominion of Canada had an existence or the province of British Columbia a government of any kind. The only unprejudiced Americans who could be found in this country are those who have never given the matter a moment's thought, who have never looked upon the maps published by this country and by Great Britain for the past seventy-five years, and who have never read the treaty." All this may be very true and quite natural, but it is hardly a satisfactory explanation of the action of the president in appointing politicians, two of them at least jingoes of the most rabid type, upon a court which is expected to deal with a subject in a judicial spirit. All three of the American commissioners are politicians, and are answerable to a more or less reasonable and liberal-minded electorate for any action they may take. None of them is anxious to retire from public life yet awhile. Mr. Root, it is true, under the system of cabinet irresponsibility in vogue in the United States, does not depend directly upon

public favor for his position. But the president who appointed him does. The Republican party will be held responsible for the acts of Mr. Root, and Mr. Roosevelt, it is understood, is not averse to a prolongation of his term as president. The absurdity of appointing politicians on such a board is therefore apparent. Canadians have too high a respect for the mental qualities of the judges of the Supreme Court of the United States to agree with the Seattle newspaper and nearly all of its contemporaries on the other side that if some of them had been appointed to act in conjunction with an equal number of gentlemen from Great Britain and Canada, equally unbiased and unprejudiced, this vexed question could not have been permanently and satisfactorily disposed of. Canadians never for a moment dreamt when a basis of settlement was agreed upon that the commission would be reduced to a farce by such appointments as have been announced.

What does this selection of rabid politicians instead of men of high judicial attainments mean if not that Americans are not so confident in the strength of their case as they affect to be? It simply brings us back to the old position that "there is nothing to arbitrate," but we are willing to go through the form of a trial if you will permit us to pack the jury. If there are Americans who are not prejudiced now, "they will be as soon as they have studied the question at all." And yet the judges of the United States Supreme Court were not so prejudiced!

What is Canada to do about it? It is hard to say. We are told it would be the height of impudence for us to protest. We will have to pay a heavy bill of costs if the commission meets. Why should we involve ourselves in heavy liabilities on account of a solemn farce? It is perhaps just as well that all concerned should be made cognizant of Canadian opinion on the subject. The indignation is not confined to British Columbia by any means. The press of the East is unanimous in its censure. The following comment from the Toronto Globe is probably the most significant:

The Detroit Tribune says that the subsidence of opposition to the Alaska boundary treaty in the Senate is explained by the fact that word was secretly passed around who the American members of the commission would be, and the announcement of the names was sufficient guarantee that, no matter what the Canadian case was, there was not the least danger that Uncle Sam would lose anything. The Tribune then goes on to give the antecedents of two of the commissioners. Senator Turner, it says, "has one of the finest and most complete kits of tail-twisting language ever introduced into the upper house. It is said that he has been known to bark at sight of the Union Jack, and would be perfectly willing to run next year's campaign on the 54-40 or fight issue." The Tribune perhaps does not know that the Senator, who, it says, would bark at the Union Jack, acquired the wealth which enabled him to become a Senator of the United States by accidentally obtaining an interest in a gold mine, Le Roi to wit, which happens to be included under the folds of the ancient bit of bunting which causes the Senator to express his feelings in a canine way.

Of Senator Lodge the Tribune writer remarks in his playful way that he "yields to no man, French, German, Dutch, Yankee, or even Irish, in his ingrained distrust of perfidious Albion, and is said to have cut out of the maps in his library those sections which represent British possessions in the new world." Senator Lodge's intimates, it continues, "are of the opinion that, should a new island appear in the Gulf of St. Lawrence, he would shed his last drop of ink to prevent the extension of British sovereignty over it."

These are humorous extravagances, of course, but they represent the solemn fact that neither of these gentlemen will approach the question in hand in a judicial spirit. As to this we may also quote the Tribune:

"It may be assumed without the slightest hesitancy that the convictions of these two gentlemen have been formed in advance and irrespectively whether they have ever examined the documents and arguments in the case or not, and it is unquestionable that in this respect they are fairly representative of the attitude of the masses of the American people, who have scant patience with a dispute that was never invented until the discovery of gold gave a sudden importance to the Alaskan littoral. With them representing this country's claims, the jingoes and alarmists are totally disarmed, and if Secretary Root were to show any disposition to weaken or compromise, they would doubtless break up the conference in a row before anything could be lost or gained."

When even American publicists are impressed with the partiality of the American members of the commission, it is not to be wondered at that, as our Ottawa dispatch relates, the Dominion government is understood to be preparing an official protest. The personnel of the United States section, as at present constituted, would make the commission a farce in which neither Canada nor Great Britain would desire to have part.

The directors of the Standard Oil Company have declared a dividend of \$20 per share, payable March 16th. This is the first quarterly declaration this year, and is an increase of \$10 over the last disbursement, but the amount is the same as that paid in February, 1902. Last year total payments were 45 per cent;

**Spring Cleaning**  
Watches and jewelry, like everything else, need attention to keep them in good order, but they need experienced persons to do them justice. Our experience of upwards of forty years in the watch and jewelry business, in this city, enables us to guarantee to give perfect satisfaction in all impositions entrusted to our care for cleaning and repairing, no matter how complicated they may be, and our charges are moderate. Jewellery made to order. Old jewellery repaired or re-made into modern designs. Estimates given free of charge.  
**C. E. Redfern,**  
43 GOVERNMENT ST.  
Established 1862. Telephone 118.

**Everything In the Shaving Line**  
Razors, Safety Razors, Strops, Brushes, Lather Cups, Soaps, Mirrors, etc. We fully warrant our Razors and show you how to stop and keep them in repair. Call and have a lesson at  
**FOX'S, 78 GOV'T ST.**

**30 Cents a Dozen**  
**Small Tablet Toilet Soap**  
Made expressly for  
**Hardress Clarke,** 86 Douglas Street.

In 1901 48 per cent.; in 1899 33 per cent., and from 1891 to 1899, 12 per cent. annually. If any man desires an "investment as in an investment," let him break into the Rockefeller group, if he can.

#### LABOR TROUBLES.

There is no country in the world that we have ever seen, heard of, or read about, in which the conditions of life are more congenial or the people better off than they are in British Columbia. And yet it is questionable whether on the average we are one whit more contented than our brethren in other lands who are engaged in a perpetual conflict with poverty and elements which add to the hardships of poverty. There are more labor troubles in British Columbia in proportion to the population than in any other portion of the civilized world. Strikes are becoming a habit with us. After mature deliberation that is the only conclusion we can come to. The habit is an evil one, and should be eradicated if there is any possibility of doing it. It has a dire effect upon the interests of the province. It not only brings hardship and suffering upon the strikers and their families, but it ties up all industries to a greater or lesser degree according to the intimacy or remoteness of their connection with the one directly affected and it fills investors with a deep distrust of the province. It has been urged as a reason why the miners of the Crow's Nest coal fields were not justified in leaving their work that they are paid good wages—wages which will average considerably higher than the average salary of any other class of workers, "gentle" or "vulgar," in British Columbia. But, bless your credulous soul, that is no reason why a strike should be declared. When the virus of dissatisfaction once gets into the system it must be worked out in some manner. It can only be eliminated in some occupations by strikes. Very often the poison does not get into the systems of all, or even a majority of the workers. But it is a very active agent, and fills its victims with so much enthusiasm and zeal that they simply carry all before them. It is a dangerous thing to incur the enmity of the agitating element. We are satisfied that an antidote can be found for this disease if the responsible public bodies of the province and the Dominion set themselves to the task of discovery in earnest. We do not say that occasions may not arise when the differences between employees are so wide and radical that a trial of endurance may not be inevitable as a preliminary round in the great game, but when there is practically no divergence of opinion as to wages, when the differences are about trivial matters, there should be constituted some tribunal to compel negotiations prior to the declaration of a strike. Public opinion in the present day will not permit of tyrannical action upon the part of either of the parties to these disastrous labor disputes.

The citizens of Nanaimo meet to-day to testify to their appreciation of the personal worth and character of Mr. Samuel M. Robins, who for so many years was manager of the New Vancouver Coal Company's mines. It is a rare thing, we are sorry to say, in this country for a man occupying such a position to gain to such a signal extent the respect and esteem, amounting almost to veneration, of the men under him. Mr. Robins has set a unique example not only to managers of coal mines, but to all employers of labor, on this continent. The influence he has exerted in favor of cordiality of relationship between employer and employee will not end, we trust, with his retirement from the man-

agement of the Nanaimo mines. The Times joins with the citizens of Nanaimo in cordial wishes for the health and happiness of Mr. Robins during the many years we sincerely hope yet before him.

#### RE WRETCHED STREETS.

To the Editor:—Perhaps one of the most important features of our civic concerns and the one on which the health of our citizens so largely depends is the sanitary feature. I notice that the city's road men are stirring a line on David street. The condition of two streets, Andrew and David, is a disgrace to any community. I often see visitors to this well advertised tourist resort pass along these streets, and I was going to say they put the kerchief to their noses. We have lots of places like this around Rock Bay vicinity, but some are too large a proposition for immediate attention. The number of David and Andrew streets might well receive the city fathers' early attention.

—A CLOSE OBSERVER.

**A GUARANTEED CURE**  
FOR ALL FORMS OF KIDNEY DISEASE.

We, the undersigned Druggists, are fully prepared to give the following guarantee with every 50 cent bottle of Dr. Pettigill's Kidney-Wort Tablets, the only remedy in the world that positively cures all troubles arising from weak or diseased kidneys:

"Money cheerfully returned if the sufferer is not relieved and improved after use of one bottle. Three to six bottles effect astonishing and permanent cures. If not relieved and cured, you waste no money."

Thomas Shotbolt, 50 Johnson street, Victoria, B. C.

Dona & Hisecks, corner Yates and Broad streets, Victoria, B. C.

T. G. Hitt, Esquimalt road, Victoria West, B. C.

D. E. Campbell, corner Fort and Douglas streets, Victoria, B. C.

Wm. Jackson & Co., Douglas street, Victoria, B. C.

Davies' Drug Store, 30 Government street, Victoria, B. C.

Hall & Co., corner Yates and Douglas streets, Victoria, B. C.

John Teague, Jr., 27 Johnson street, Victoria, B. C.

F. W. Fawcett, corner Douglas and King's road, Victoria, B. C.

Geo. Morrison & Co., 55 Government street, Victoria, B. C.

Perry & Marsh, corner Fort and Douglas streets, Victoria, B. C.

**PERSONAL.**

A very pleasant evening was spent last night at the home of Mr. Vaughn, who recently arrived from "The Soo," and being greatly pleased with the situation of Victoria has purchased the former residence of Mr. Margson, on Quadra street, intending to make this his future home. He and his family were surprised by a gathering of over sixty of their friends, who dropped in to welcome them to Victoria in the old-fashioned "back East" style. Music, games and feasting were indulged in until a late hour, and all agreed the evening had been as merry as any could wish.

Hon. J. D. Prentiss, M. P. P., Rev. W. Leslie Gay, J. D. McLeod, T. R. E. McBurnie, T. W. Martin, S. J. Pitts, R. Collette, and Jas. Gaudin were among the passengers from Vancouver by the steamer Champlain last evening.

C. Camble, accountant of the Canadian Bank of Commerce, has accepted a position at the head office, Toronto. He will leave for the East to take over his new duties shortly.

Miss Edna McKenna returned on the Queen from San Francisco last evening, having spent six weeks' holiday in that city.

D. Potheringham and J. L. Beckwith came over from the Sound by the steamer Majestic yesterday afternoon.

Mr. F. E. Bellmaine, purser of R. M. S. Aorangi, is a guest at the Dalriad.

**FREE! LADIES.** send name and address to  
PENNYROYAL TEA.  
Every mother and lady should use it. Used successfully by those who have tried it. It is a SLOUGH OF THE GROUND. TORONTO, CAN.

# FINCER'S

## Western Canada's Big Store.

### News for Monday.

A very important sale of Ladies' Flannel Waists Monday.  
We will sell all our Flannel Waists (prices from \$2.50 to \$4.50), 351 waists in the lot; Monday, \$1.40.

We have never put on sale such a beautiful lot of Waists, colors; red, blue, light and dark, green, black, rose and several other mixtures, fancies, etc.

We have decided to let this lot go and give everybody a chance to secure one of their choice.

52 were \$2.50, 180 were \$3.00, 58 were \$3.50, 55 were from \$3.50 to \$4.50; Monday all, \$1.40 each.

### A New Departure in Skirt Making.

We will make a double-stitched skirt with stitched facings for \$1.25, 5 or 7 gore.

Same skirt lined will be \$1.75. We will show on models in dress department 3 other styles of skirts.

### Mantle Department Monday.

We will sell 21 Ladies' Long Jackets Monday as follows:  
8 were \$12.50, for ..... \$6.25  
3 were \$25.00, for ..... \$12.50  
6 were \$17.50, for ..... \$8.75  
1 was \$22.50, for ..... \$11.25  
3 were \$30.00, for ..... \$15.00

These Skirts are made on the premises, and we guarantee every garment.

Orders taken at dress goods department.

This is all we have of the Long Jackets, and they go Monday.

Colors, Black, Grey, Brown, Fawn and Speckled.

### Men's Suits To-night.

To-night will be the crowning day of the Big Suit Sale. We expect to-night will be one of the busiest we have ever had in this department. If values will do it, we shall not be disappointed.

Pure Worsted Suits; To-night, \$5.00. Tweeds and Serges; To-night, \$7.50. Vicunas, Cheviots, etc.; To-night, \$10.00. Overcoats, \$5.00, \$7.50 and \$9.00.

### Saturday Shoe Specials.

We have been taking stock this week in this department, and have thrown out several odd lines which we will clear out to-day.

22 pairs Men's Box Calf, Hand-welted Lace Shoes; regular \$3.75. To-day ..... \$2.00

17 pairs Men's Kid Lace Shoes, \$2.75, for ..... \$1.00

45 pairs Women's Mixed Lots; values to \$5.00. To-day ..... \$2.00

20 pairs Women's Mixed Lots; \$3.00. Shoes for ..... \$2.00

A number of Boys', Youths' and Children's Shoes that must go to-day.

**ICES REDUCED FROM \$275 UPWARDS**  
**FOR SALE**  
**30 VERY ELIGIBLE BUILDING LOTS**

FRONTING MENZIES, NIAGARA, SIMCOE AND MEDANA STREETS—JAMES BAY.  
First class locations; on sewer and car lines; near Beacon Hill Park and sea front, and 10 minutes walk from Post Office. Sale plan now open and selections can be made on application to

**E. M. JOHNSON.**  
P. O. Address, Box 158. Telephone 6, No. 74.  
NO. 6 BROUGHTON ST., VICTORIA, B. C. Administrator Medana Estate.

### ANOTHER VESSEL TO BE REPAIRED

ALSTERNIXIE WILL MAKE THIRD IN WEEK

Mystery and Other Local Craft Fall Into Ownership of American Company.

To-morrow will probably see another damaged ship in port seeking repairs. According to the Tacoma Ledger, the German barque Alsternixie, which was ashore for many days on a dangerous spit near Cape Disappointment, at the entrance to the Columbia river, is to leave Astoria for Esquimalt in tow of a tug to-day. The Alsternixie is too large a vessel to be docked either on the Sound or on the Columbia, and for this reason has to be brought here. After repairs she will be taken back to Portland to load wheat. She is not believed to be seriously injured. She stranded while on her way to the Columbia from San Francisco, having been carried inshore by a heavy gale. The fact that she is to be towed here instead of San Francisco for repairs speaks much for the facilities for handling a vessel, as also for the character of the work done in local yards. The Alsternixie will make a third vessel to be towed into port within a week, according to reports, and several overhauling, the other two being the Sadie Turpel, which was floated from the beach at the entrance to Esquimalt harbor a few days ago, and the Baroda, which was towed from San Francisco to be converted into a coal barge.

### DEAL CONCLUDED.

Captain R. P. McKenzie, the managing director of Messrs. McKenzie Brothers, has informed a representative of the Vancouver News-Advertiser that the Pacific Alaska Transportation & Coal Company, of New York and Seattle, which concern obtained a 30 days' option on McKenzie Brothers' fleet a short time ago, notified him on Friday that they were prepared to take over the vessels. The deal, Captain McKenzie stated, included the purchase of all the property, fleet, etc., of McKenzie Brothers, Ltd. The fleet of the company consists of the tug Mystery, the large transfer barge Georgian, and the freight steamers Staffa, Fingal and Claughton. Included in the deal are McKenzie's wharf on False creek, near the Westminster avenue bridge, and other property. Captain McKenzie will continue to act as manager. The new company will take possession on March 1st.

### THE COASTING FLEET.

The Queen, of the Pacific Coast Steamship Company's fleet, arrived from San Francisco last evening. The Cottage City, of the same line, reached port from Alaska ports yesterday morning. The City of Poughon will sail for the Bay City to-night, and the Cottage City will leave for Northern ports to-morrow. The Princess Margaret, of the N. West, left for Vancouver last night to be hauled out on the ways for a cleaning and painting; the Amur has been temporarily laid up, and the Danube has succeeded the Tees in commission and will sail for Northern British Columbia ports on Tuesday. She is now loading 20,000 feet of lumber required in the construction of the new cannery for Pindly, Durham & Brodie at the mouth of the Skeena river.

### DISABLED BARRENTINE.

Yesterday's Post-Intelligencer says: "A Barrentine, name unknown, passed Cape Flattery, bound in, on Wednesday, in an apparently disabled condition. The collier steamship Montara, Captain Thomas Reilly, which arrived yesterday morning from San Francisco, brought this report to this effect. The vessel appeared to be in ballast. Her masttop and mizenmast were missing, but at the distance from which the Montara viewed her it was difficult for

### MARINE NOTES.

J. H. Greer has received a telegram announcing that the sternwheeler Hamlin, recently sold through him to Capt. Bonser, Engineer McCallum and Capt. Reed, reached that port from Wrangell yesterday morning, where she will sit out for operations on the Skeena and Stikine rivers this coming season.

Steamer Venture sailed for Quatsnoo yesterday morning with 20 tons of coal and twelve passengers from this city. She will load at Sidney three head of cattle. Among the passengers who left of her were Messrs. Clark, Breen and Lewis, the last named being vice-president of the Yreka Mining Company.

Capt. Gussie called at the Times office yesterday to deny the report that he was about to have a new tug built.

### YORK COUNTY'S LIVING PROOF

THAT DODD'S KIDNEY PILLS WILL CURE GRAVEL.

Thomas Harrison Tells of His Sufferings and of His Speedy and Permanent Cure.

St. Mary's Ferry, York Co., N. B., Feb. 27.—(Special).—York county has a living proof of the efficacy of Dodd's Kidney Pills to bring back health, when all other means have failed, in the person of Thomas Harrison, of St. Mary's Ferry. "I began to suffer with a severe pain in my back, followed by a very lethargic feeling," Mr. Harrison says in speaking of his cure. "This continued for some time, gradually getting worse, when I was obliged to call in a physician, who termed my disease appendicitis. Still I could get no relief, and very shortly I commenced to urinate blood.

"My attention had been called to Dodd's Kidney Pills, but I was skeptical of patent medicines, and it was some time before I made up my mind to try them.

"The first box gave me relief and greater relief followed when I passed a stone that had formed in the bladder. By the time I had finished the third box I was cured. I have had no return of my trouble either, for if I feel any symptoms of its return I get another box of Dodd's Kidney Pills and in that way keep myself clear of that terrible disease."

Mr. Harrison is only one of many here who have benefited from the use of Dodd's Kidney Pills, and the generally accepted conclusion is "If the physician comes from the Kidneys, Dodd's Kidney Pills will cure it."

"New goods" arriving all the time at "the big house" furnishing establishment." Ask to see the tapestry squares, new wallpapers and many other goods for "spring trade." Welles Bros.

**Dr. Agnew's Catarrhal Powder**

IS A CATARRH CURE THAT CURES COLDS AND CATARRH. Actually, positively, indisputably, irrefragably, Cures Colds and Catarrh! Not always with first application, although even that invariably brings relief in 10 minutes. But it Cures Colds and Catarrh! Dr. Agnew's Liver Pills cure Liver Ills. Sold by Jackson & Co. and Hall & Co.-5.

### A. O. U. W. HALL

2-6 Family Theatre. Under Management of L. Beck.

### Harry Lindley's Theatrical Co.

—OPENING—

Monday, March 4.

Every evening until further notice. Frequent change of programme. 15c, 25c, 35c. Just concluded 9 weeks in Vancouver.

### FIFTH REGIMENT BAND

### Drill Hall Concert

TO-NIGHT

Vancouver vs. James Bay.

### DOES YOUR FOOD DISTRESS YOU?

Are you nervous? .....  
Do you feel older than you used to? .....  
Is your appetite poor? .....  
Is your tongue coated with a slimy, yellowish fur? .....  
Do you have distaste for food? .....  
Have you a bad taste in your mouth? .....  
Have you a sensation of fullness after eating? .....  
Do you have heartburn? .....  
Do you belch gas or wind? .....  
Do you have excessive thirst? .....  
Do you notice black specks before the eyes? .....  
Do you have pain or oppression around the heart? .....  
Does your heart palpitate, or beat irregularly? .....  
Do you have unpleasant dreams? .....  
Are you constipated? .....  
Do your limbs tremble or vibrate? .....  
Are you restless at night? .....  
NAME.....  
Age.....  
Occupation.....  
Street number.....  
Town.....State.....

If you have any or all of the above symptoms you probably have Dyspepsia. Fill in the above blank, send to us, and we will mail you a free trial of PEPSE-KOLA TABLETS—unquestionably the sweetest and safest Dyspepsia cure known—together with our little book "Advice To Dyspepsia." Regular size PEPSE-KOLA TABLETS, 25 cents, by mail, or of your druggist.

Agents wanted.

THE LAXAKOFA COMPANY.

45 VESSEY STREET, NEW YORK.

**CURE** is a 3 day treatment to relieve all cases of indigestion, flatulence, nervousness, headache, etc., and to restore the system to normal health.

Send for free trial of PEPSE-KOLA TABLETS.

Send for free trial of PEPSE-KOLA TABLETS.

Send for free trial of PEPSE-KOLA TABLETS.

Send for free trial of PEPSE-KOLA TABLETS.

Send for free trial of PEPSE-KOLA TABLETS.

Send for free trial of PEPSE-KOLA TABLETS.

Send for free trial of PEPSE-KOLA TABLETS.

Send for free trial of PEPSE-KOLA TABLETS.

Send for free trial of PEPSE-KOLA TABLETS.

Send for free trial of PEPSE-KOLA TABLETS.

Send for free trial of PEPSE-KOLA TABLETS.

Send for free trial of PEPSE-KOLA TABLETS.

## BAD BLOOD--

Skin Breaking Out.

## Our Compound Sarsaparilla

In a splendid blood medicine. We sell a lot of it and it gives satisfaction. It cleans out the system, enriches the blood, builds up the constitution. \$1 per bottle.

CYRUS H. BOWES,

CHEMIST,

98 Government St., Near Yates St. Telephone 425. Victoria, B.C.

## City News in Brief.

—Knox Presbyterian church, Stanley avenue, Rev. Alex. Fraser pastor. Services Sabbath morning at 11 o'clock; Sabbath school at 2:30 p.m.

—"Modern Society and Socialism" is the subject of an address to be delivered by Hugh Dixon, a Fernie miner, at the public meeting of the Socialist party in Labor hall tomorrow evening at 8:15 o'clock. All welcome.

—The tenors taking part in the Victoria Musical Festival will hold a part practice this evening at Howard Russell's house, commencing at 8 o'clock. The "Reverend" and "Death of Minnie" will be taken up.

—Under the auspices of the Woman's Auxiliary of the Metropolitan Methodist church a lecture will be given in the schoolroom of the church on Tuesday evening next at 8 o'clock, entitled "India, Its Peoples, Palaces, Temples and Tombs." Illustrated by 130 stereoscopic views, by J. W. Loring, M. A., F. R. G. S. Selections will be rendered by the Sunday school orchestra, and a piano-forte solo by Jesse Longfield. A pleasant and interesting evening is expected.

—The following regimental order has been issued by Capt. Hall, commanding the Fifth Regiment: The regiment will parade at the drill hall on Sunday, March 8th, at 10:15 a.m., for the purpose of attending divine service at Christ Church cathedral. Staff and band will attend. Dress: Church parade order. The following N. C. O.'s are detailed to assist at recruit drill on March 9th and 10th: Sergt. R. Lorimer and Corp. H. Wilders.

—At Beacon Hill yesterday a class in equitation was held by Colonel Holmes, D. O. C., and Lieut.-Col. Gregory, when tests were successfully passed by Capt. Hall, commanding, and Capt. and Acting Adjutant McCannan and Surgeon-Major Hart, of the Fifth Regiment. These officers are now entitled to certificates, and Capt. Hall is eligible for promotion to the rank of colonel as well as that of command, and Capt. McCannan is duly qualified to take over the duties of adjutant.

—To-night during the progress of the regimental band concert at the drill hall the Vancouver basketball club and the J. B. A. players will meet in an exhibition game of basketball. An unusual amount of interest is being taken in this game, which, though purely an exhibition contest, will undoubtedly be productive of a keen competition. The game will start promptly at 8:15 o'clock. An excellent musical program has been prepared for the first part of the entertainment, which will commence at 8:30 o'clock.

—The J. B. A. chess tournament, which has been in progress for some time, has divided down to the finals, and indications are the fight for the championship will be keen and exciting. In the early part of last week two games were played between R. H. Hurst and S. Child, the former giving the latter a handicap, both of which were won by Mr. Child. In a match between Hurst and Leeming, the former giving the latter the odds of a knight, Hurst won. Leeming beat Child twice, giving him a handicap of a pawn and a move. Leeming and Hurst will play early next week, and if Hurst is victorious it will place the three aspirants—Messrs. Child, Leeming and Hurst—for championship honors on an even footing.

—An invitation will be extended to Rabbi Montague N. A. Cohen, of the Jewish synagogue in this city, to take charge of the Tacoma synagogue. In reference to this matter a Tacoma correspondent says: "The congregation of Beth Israel, the Jewish synagogue, has virtually decided to invite Rabbi Montague N. A. Cohen, of Victoria, to take the place of first rabbi of the congregation. The temple was built ten years ago, but because of cumbersome defects no rabbi was elected. About a month ago the congregation paid off the mortgage, and the prospective funds enable it to have a spiritual head. Several candidates have spoken before the congregation recently, but among them, Rabbi Cohen has given the most general satisfaction. He is of English birth, but has been in Victoria about two years. He is a versatile and ready speaker, and is a man of exceptionally erudite attainments."

## Money to Loan on Mortgage

Swinton & Oddy, 102 GOVERNMENT STREET.

## GUNS AND CARTRIDGES

All the latest Firearms and Ammunition Cartridges kept in stock.

JOHN BARNESLEY & CO.

115 GOVERNMENT STREET.

## A BIG, BIG BARGAIN

In 2 choice corner lots, all fenced and cleared, in Victoria West, close in. The price will surprise you.

Must Be Sold at Once.

WE ALSO OFFER

A SNAP

In a six roomed cottage on the Work Estate, good locality. To Let—2 first-class 6 roomed houses on Wiltshire Ave., at moderate rents. FIRE INSURANCE AND MONEY TO LOAN.

P. C. MacGregor & Co.

LAND AGENTS, NO. 2 VIEW ST.

—A line of "liberty art fabrics" have just been opened up (at Weilers), and includes cretonnes, art linens, damasks, brocades, taffetas, etc.

—There will be a general business meeting of No. 4 Company, Fifth Regiment, after drill next Wednesday night. A good attendance is requested.

—The last shipment of pure-bred stock of the season left Toronto on the 18th inst., and is expected to arrive at the coast about the 1st or 2nd of March. The stock is mainly for lower Mainland points and the Island. Messrs. A. M. Vasey, of Ladners, Shannon Bros., of Cloverdale; H. Boushall, of Chemainus, and Quick Bros., of Victoria, are some of the consignees. G. H. Hudson, the Dominion Live Stock Association's representative for British Columbia, expects to complete another car for shipment about the middle of March.

## DRUG TRADE PROMOTERS.

Our trade promoters or advancers are numerous and important. Pure, fresh drugs, our complete stock of medicines, our endless variety of perfumes and toilet requisites and our low prices, all work together as strong promoters of an increasing trade.

## DR. PHELPS' WONDERFUL PRESCRIPTION.

Paine's Celery Compound, is the best and most popular family medicine. It permanently cures rheumatism, neuralgia, nervous diseases, liver and kidney troubles. We can confidently recommend Paine's Celery Compound if you suffer from any of the above mentioned troubles. If you are despondent, sleepless or out-of-sorts, the great medicine will give you new life. Thos. Shottolt, Druggist, 50 Johnson street, Victoria, B.C.

—Woolen Cloth from New Zealand. In the window of Thomas & Grant, 92 Government street, can be seen a splendid exhibit of what a wool country can produce in a manufactured article, suitable for gentlemen's clothing for any climate. The beautifully soft texture of the goods, the excellent coloring and the splendid finish of the cloths, leave nothing to be desired. Mr. H. E. Levy, by whose enterprise these specimens were brought to British Columbia, deserves the thanks of all who can appreciate good clothing, and we hope he may be successful in establishing a trade with New Zealand in these goods. Especial interest is centered in a handsome rug, the face simile of the one presented to the Duke of Cornwall and York when he was in New Zealand.

## W. H. HARMER SAYS

He Used Dodd's Dyspepsia Tablets and Was Cured of a Disagreeable Though Very Common Complaint.

Were you ever troubled with food and gas rising in your throat? Have you ever had an evening spoiled by the objectionable odor coming from your mouth and an agreeable conversation? When it was the greatest of agony to keep it down and the height of bad breeding to do anything else?

Have you bewailed the fate that doomed you to such torture? If you did, you were wrong. It's not fate at all; it's your own stupidity. Others have been in a similar fix and have got out of it. How? Simply by using Dodd's Dyspepsia Tablets. They are so pleased they are telling others about it every day. W. H. Harmer, of Avonmore, N. B., is one of them. Listen to what he says:

"I was troubled with gas and food rising in my throat, Dodd's Dyspepsia Tablets stopped it. Others around here have used Dodd's Dyspepsia Tablets with equally good results."

He doesn't say much, but it is to the point. If you are troubled with gas or food rising in your throat—if you are troubled with any of the pains or discomforts of Dyspepsia, use Dodd's Dyspepsia Tablets and the relief will be speedy, the cure permanent.

## DELEGATES

TO THE MINING CONVENTION

AND OTHERS.

Would do well to inspect the

## New Spring Goods

Which arrived to-day at

PEDEN'S,

Merchant Tailor, 30 Port St.

## FINE TOILET SOAPS

Violet, Rose, Lily, 25c. per box (5 cakes).

HALL & CO.,

Dispensing Chemists, Clarence Block, Cor. Yates and Douglas Streets.

## WANT TO CALL A PUBLIC MEETING

FOR DISCUSSION OF BOUNDARY QUESTION

Chamber of Commerce Make First Move in Matter—Interesting Report on Transportation.

To the Victoria Chamber of Commerce belongs the distinction of having placed itself on record as being the first business body in British Columbia to move in the matter of the Alaskan boundary question arbitration. At the regular meeting last night T. M. Henderson introduced a discussion on the subject which resulted in a motion being passed requesting Mayor McCandless to call a public meeting to consider the matter with the object of obtaining a public expression of opinion. All were of one mind that Canada should be represented on the commission, and that its members should be none but the most impartial. A suggestion was made that the representatives now attending the mining convention might be asked to attend the public meeting when held, while another member believed that British Columbians the province over should make their position known not only to the Dominion but to the people of the United States. Fifteen new members were enrolled with the commencement of proceedings. A letter was read from Thos. Earle, M. P., thanking the board for its expression of opinion on the matter of introducing fish traps, which was received and filed.

The Voters' League gave notice of a proposal to form a board of harbor commissioners, somewhat after the plan pursued in Montreal.

T. S. Sorby, who had been invited to attend and explained the scheme, asked if the harbor was in a position to-day for commercial purposes. If not was there not anything which could be done to increase its usefulness? He contended that by improving its commercial facilities there would come increased business. In this connection he pointed out the wide connections Victoria has as a port. The commerce of this city at present amounted to about nine millions. This was small, however, in consideration of the favorable position the city occupied. It would be found that in the many cargoes which are forwarded from here in many small consignments were articles that might well be manufactured and shipped from here. But had Victoria's harbor the facilities for cultivating this trade? The speaker thought not, and he pointed to the disadvantages the city labored under in not having the harbor sufficiently deepened for vessels to berth at any wharf where cargo might be obtained. Referring to the working of the Montreal board of harbor commissioners, the speaker pointed out that the very first undertaking of the harbor committee was to deepen the harbor. Money was borrowed at 6 per cent, the channel deepened from Lake St. Peter, and now vessels of the deepest draft were able to make the Canadian metropolis. All this had been done without a cent of cost to the government, municipal or Dominion. A tax was imposed on ships, and the work carried out. Now the board has appealed to the government and asked it to take over its liabilities, claiming that the improvements carried out were really a national enterprise. Arguing along the lines that trade increases with the improved facilities of a port, as foreshadowed in the cities of the Old Country, the speaker advocated the harbor be placed in such a condition for shipping as would not fail to attract railways. One way in which the scheme might be carried out is by leaving the matter under municipal control. A second plan would be for a railway to take it up. He had a scheme for the borrowing of money which had been before the city council during Mayor Reid's term of office and the members of the Dominion government. This plan, which is already known to Victorians, he proceeded to explain. In closing the speaker asked that the members of the chamber press the importance of the proposal now on foot.

Chairman Beckwith thought a great deal of credit was due to Mr. Sorby for the interest he has manifested in connection with Victoria harbor. If the business men had taken as active an interest in the question as Mr. Sorby, the subject would now have been settled. He heartily supported the proposal.

A former resident of St. John said that because the port of St. John had now improved facilities it should not be thought that the city was not embarrassed financially.

In furtherance, we would suggest that every endeavor be made to enlist the sympathy and co-operation of the ladies, individually and through their associations. That they and all consumers be asked to join a "preferential league," which binds them (prices and quality being equal) to give preference to home productions by white labor.

That the countenance and aid of the city council and other public bodies be enlisted, and that suitable printed matter be prepared and distributed.

That the chamber exert itself to unite the business and manufacturing community of the province in a common effort to impress upon the legislature the necessity of more strict observance of the laws for the protection of those engaged in legitimate business.

That a permanent trade exhibit of home products and manufactures be maintained, both as an object lesson and advertisement. That a B. E. label be used on all goods produced or manufactured in the province by white labor.

That wherever the retailers have it largely in their power under existing conditions, to discriminate against home productions, we would suggest that their attention be constantly and forcibly drawn to the fact that by their co-operation in the encouragement of home industry, they ensure for themselves increase of business.

On a better cash basis, increase in goodwill and property values, and sounder financial conditions generally.

Wholesalers.—That whereas the success of the wholesalers depends on the success of the retailers, the same course be followed as with the retailers.

Producers or Manufacturers.—That, as the producer or manufacturer is dependent entirely on the tastes and requirements of the consumer, every effort should be made by the Chamber of Commerce to act as an educational medium.

To encourage the production of goods of a high standard of excellence to compare favorably with outside productions. To encourage the establishment of new industries.

To assist in the strengthening of those already established.

To urge upon the city the necessity of obtaining a tract of land, the free use of which may be offered to manufacturers as an inducement to establishment, and continually to do all in its power to the ends here set forth.

Should the chamber decide to carry out these suggestions, we would further suggest that a somewhat larger committee be appointed to carry out the work as outlined, with power to divide into sub-committees for better carrying out of the work.

All of which is respectfully submitted by your committee.

W. K. HOUSTON, J. A. GRANT, JAR. TOWNSELY, A. J. MORLEY, THOS. WALKER.

Received and laid on the table for discussion at the next meeting of the board.

After a short discussion on the Alaska boundary arbitration, the meeting then adjourned.

PAINE'S CELERY COMPOUND

RAPIDLY REPAIRS WASTED TISSUES, PUTS IT IN FIRM CONDITION AND EXPELS WASTE POISONS FROM THE SYSTEM.

The tissues of the human body are rapidly wasted by fevers, and great quantities of waste poisons are poured into the blood. The rapid break down of tissue and the charging of the blood with poisons, bring unfortunate victims to a condition of weakness and helplessness that is pitiable to behold. Thousands of young and old who have just passed the critical stages of typhoid, inflammatory, gastric, typhus, intermittent and other forms of fevers, demand the closest attention and best treatment if life is to be saved.

With true candor, honesty and earnestness we suggest and urge the use of nature's nerve food and nourisher, Paine's Celery Compound, the only medicine in the world that has proved its value as a builder of wasted tissue, a bracer of weak and irritated nerves, a never-failing blood purifier and enricher. Paine's Celery Compound has made tens of thousands well and strong; it has saved countless ones from the grave where, everything else has failed. No other medicine so quickly fortifies feeble men and women; it gives them that robust health that makes life a joy.

Kingham & Co.

VICTORIA AGENTS FOR THE WESTERN FUEL CO., NANAIMO, B.C.

New Wellington Coal

Lump or Buck ..... \$5.00 per ton Washed Nuts ..... \$5.00 per ton Delivered to any part within 1/2 city limits.

OFFICE, 34 BROAD ST. TELEPHONE 647.

Drain Tiles

To farmers and others requiring the our prices are as follows: 4-inch Tile ..... \$10.00 per thousand 6-inch Tile ..... \$15.00 per thousand 8-inch Tile ..... \$20.00 per thousand 10-inch Tile ..... \$25.00 per thousand Apply to J. Raymond & Sons, Government street, or Manufacturer's Yard, Douglas street. Phone 407. JAMES BAKER.

## A Big Cut in Pickles

Patterson's Stuffed Pickles, India Relish, Chili Sauce, Sweet Mixed; regular price 25c. and 40c. per bottle; now 20c. These are fine goods. We make the above prices for a few days only to reduce stock.

Johns Bros.

GROCERS AND BUTCHERS, 260 DOUGLAS ST.

What my cat turned into after drinking a bottle of VIN MARIANI. (Strong as a lion)

Paris, France. GEROME.

THE UNEQUALLED GIVER OF STRENGTH AND VIGOR.

VIN MARIANI

(MARIANI WINE)

FOR BODY, BRAIN AND NERVES.

VIN MARIANI is endorsed by the Medical Faculty all over the world. Anemia, Loss of Sleep, Consumption, Overwork, Indigestion, Nervous Prostration, Tardy Conscience, General Debility, Throat and Lung Troubles. AT ALL DRUGGISTS.

MARIANI & CO., Paris, London, New York and Montreal.

Gerome, the Great French Artist.

Designed by Gerome.

THE UNEQUALLED GIVER OF STRENGTH AND VIGOR.

VIN MARIANI

(MARIANI WINE)

FOR BODY, BRAIN AND NERVES.

VIN MARIANI is endorsed by the Medical Faculty all over the world. Anemia, Loss of Sleep, Consumption, Overwork, Indigestion, Nervous Prostration, Tardy Conscience, General Debility, Throat and Lung Troubles. AT ALL DRUGGISTS.

MARIANI & CO., Paris, London, New York and Montreal.

On a better cash basis, increase in goodwill and property values, and sounder financial conditions generally.

Wholesalers.—That whereas the success of the wholesalers depends on the success of the retailers, the same course be followed as with the retailers.

Producers or Manufacturers.—That, as the producer or manufacturer is dependent entirely on the tastes and requirements of the consumer, every effort should be made by the Chamber of Commerce to act as an educational medium.

To encourage the production of goods of a high standard of excellence to compare favorably with outside productions. To encourage the establishment of new industries.

To assist in the strengthening of those already established.

To urge upon the city the necessity of obtaining a tract of land, the free use of which may be offered to manufacturers as an inducement to establishment, and continually to do all in its power to the ends here set forth.

Should the chamber decide to carry out these suggestions, we would further suggest that a somewhat larger committee be appointed to carry out the work as outlined, with power to divide into sub-committees for better carrying out of the work.

All of which is respectfully submitted by your committee.

W. K. HOUSTON, J. A. GRANT, JAR. TOWNSELY, A. J. MORLEY, THOS. WALKER.

Received and laid on the table for discussion at the next meeting of the board.

After a short discussion on the Alaska boundary arbitration, the meeting then adjourned.

PAINE'S CELERY COMPOUND

RAPIDLY REPAIRS WASTED TISSUES, PUTS IT IN FIRM CONDITION AND EXPELS WASTE POISONS FROM THE SYSTEM.

The tissues of the human body are rapidly wasted by fevers, and great quantities of waste poisons are poured into the blood. The rapid break down of tissue and the charging of the blood with poisons, bring unfortunate victims to a condition of weakness and helplessness that is pitiable to behold. Thousands of young and old who have just passed the critical stages of typhoid, inflammatory, gastric, typhus, intermittent and other forms of fevers, demand the closest attention and best treatment if life is to be saved.

With true candor, honesty and earnestness we suggest and urge the use of nature's nerve food and nourisher, Paine's Celery Compound, the only medicine in the world that has proved its value as a builder of wasted tissue, a bracer of weak and irritated nerves, a never-failing blood purifier and enricher. Paine's Celery Compound has made tens of thousands well and strong; it has saved countless ones from the grave where, everything else has failed. No other medicine so quickly fortifies feeble men and women; it gives them that robust health that makes life a joy.

Kingham & Co.

VICTORIA AGENTS FOR THE WESTERN FUEL CO., NANAIMO, B.C.

New Wellington Coal

Lump or Buck ..... \$5.00 per ton Washed Nuts ..... \$5.00 per ton Delivered to any part within 1/2 city limits.

OFFICE, 34 BROAD ST. TELEPHONE 647.

Drain Tiles

To farmers and others requiring the our prices are as follows: 4-inch Tile ..... \$10.00 per thousand 6-inch Tile ..... \$15.00 per thousand 8-inch Tile ..... \$20.00 per thousand 10-inch Tile ..... \$25.00 per thousand Apply to J. Raymond & Sons, Government street, or Manufacturer's Yard, Douglas street. Phone 407. JAMES BAKER.

## A Big Cut in Pickles

Patterson's Stuffed Pickles, India Relish, Chili Sauce, Sweet Mixed; regular price 25c. and 40c. per bottle; now 20c. These are fine goods. We make the above prices for a few days only to reduce stock.

Johns Bros.

GROCERS AND BUTCHERS, 260 DOUGLAS ST.

What my cat turned into after drinking a bottle of VIN MARIANI. (Strong as a lion)

Paris, France. GEROME.

THE UNEQUALLED GIVER OF STRENGTH AND VIGOR.

VIN MARIANI

(MARIANI WINE)

FOR BODY, BRAIN AND NERVES.

VIN MARIANI is endorsed by the Medical Faculty all over the world. Anemia, Loss of Sleep, Consumption, Overwork, Indigestion, Nervous Prostration, Tardy Conscience, General Debility, Throat and Lung Troubles. AT ALL DRUGGISTS.

MARIANI & CO., Paris, London, New York and Montreal.

Gerome, the Great French Artist.

Designed by Gerome.

THE UNEQUALLED GIVER OF STRENGTH AND VIGOR.

VIN MARIANI

(MARIANI WINE)

FOR BODY, BRAIN AND NERVES.

VIN MARIANI is endorsed by the Medical Faculty all over the world. Anemia, Loss of Sleep, Consumption, Overwork, Indigestion, Nervous Prostration, Tardy Conscience, General Debility, Throat and Lung Troubles. AT ALL DRUGGISTS.

MARIANI & CO., Paris, London, New York and Montreal.

On a better cash basis, increase in goodwill and property values, and sounder financial conditions generally.

Wholesalers.—That whereas the success of the wholesalers depends on the success of the retailers, the same course be followed as with the retailers.

Producers or Manufacturers.—That, as the producer or manufacturer is dependent entirely on the tastes and requirements of the consumer, every effort should be made by the Chamber of Commerce to act as an educational medium.

To encourage the production of goods of a high standard of excellence to compare favorably with outside productions. To encourage the establishment of new industries.

To assist in the strengthening of those already established.

To urge upon the city the necessity of obtaining a tract of land, the free use of which may be offered to manufacturers as an inducement to establishment, and continually to do all in its power to the ends here set forth.

Should the chamber decide to carry out these suggestions, we would further suggest that a somewhat larger committee be appointed to carry out the work as outlined, with power to divide into sub-committees for better carrying out of the work.

All of which is respectfully submitted by your committee.

W. K. HOUSTON, J. A. GRANT, JAR. TOWNSELY, A. J. MORLEY, THOS. WALKER.

Received and laid on the table for discussion at the next meeting of the board.

After a short discussion on the Alaska boundary arbitration, the meeting then adjourned.

PAINE'S CELERY COMPOUND

RAPIDLY REPAIRS WASTED TISSUES, PUTS IT IN FIRM CONDITION AND EXPELS WASTE POISONS FROM THE SYSTEM.

The tissues of the human body are rapidly wasted by fevers, and great quantities of waste poisons are poured into the blood. The rapid break down of tissue and the charging of the blood with poisons, bring unfortunate victims to a condition of weakness and helplessness that is pitiable to behold. Thousands of young and old who have just passed the critical stages of typhoid, inflammatory, gastric, typhus, intermittent and other forms of fevers, demand the closest attention and best treatment if life is to be saved.

With true candor, honesty and earnestness we suggest and urge the use of nature's nerve food and nourisher, Paine's Celery Compound, the only medicine in the world that has proved its value as a builder of wasted tissue, a bracer of weak and irritated nerves, a never-failing blood purifier and enricher. Paine's Celery Compound has made tens of thousands well and strong; it has saved countless ones from the grave where, everything else has failed. No other medicine so quickly fortifies feeble men and women; it gives them that robust health that makes life a joy.

Kingham & Co.

VICTORIA AGENTS FOR THE WESTERN FUEL CO., NANAIMO, B.C.

New Wellington Coal

Lump or Buck ..... \$5.00 per ton Washed Nuts ..... \$5.00 per ton Delivered to any part within 1/2 city limits.

OFFICE,

When you **FISH** Buy the **...best**

And we ask you to bear this in mind, as we carry nothing but the best. Black Cod, Salmon, Boilies, Cold Fish Steaks, Oolachana, Mackerel, Holland Herrings, Smoked Haddock, Kippered Herrings and Smoked Salmon.

ALSO DIBBY CHICKS AT 20c. PER BOX.

**Mowat & Wallace**  
GROCERS.  
COR. YATES AND DOUGLAS STS.

#### RHODES SCHOLARSHIP.

Recommendations Made by Local Educationists to Dr. Parkin.

Yesterday afternoon the conference between the educationists of Victoria and Vancouver and Dr. Parkin, trustee of the Rhodes scholarship, was resumed, and after the matter had been fully discussed the following recommendations were made:

1. The conditions which shall govern eligibility for the Rhodes scholarship shall be:
  - (a) Candidates shall have received four years of their education in a British Columbia school—these years to be immediately prior to receiving Canadian matriculation standing.
  - (b) They shall be able to pass the first public examination at Oxford University, commonly known as responses. The question of whether the examination shall be taken in British Columbia or in any Canadian university in good standing is left open for decision by the Rhodes trustees.
  - (c) Candidates shall not be younger than 19, nor older than 24 years of age.
2. The committee for the selection of candidates shall consist of the Lieutenant-Governor of British Columbia, the Chief Justice, and the Chief Superintendent of Education.
3. The responses examination referred to is the first public examination which every student entering Oxford must pass. It provides a minimum test. The examination covers one author in Greek, one

author in Latin, and a fair amount of arithmetic, mathematics and such ordinary subjects. Students who wish to get full information about this examination can order from the Copp, Clarke Co., Toronto, copies of response papers, and of the Students' Handbook of Oxford, which gives full information about this and other examinations. Those who wish to get extended information about the ancient university are advised to consult two volumes, "Oxford and Oxford Life," and "Oxford and Its Colleges."

#### WANTED—MAN WITH \$500

To take management and sole agency for British Columbia for the Hutton Dixon treatment for the liquor habit. The most highly recommended treatment for alcoholism in the world. Liberal proposition to the right man—experience unnecessary. For particulars address Mr. Dixon, 81 Wilkes street, Toronto, Ont.

Three hundred newboys met at Toronto on Thursday and decided to form a union. They propose to protect themselves against increases in prices of papers, cutting rates, etc. The boys will wear a union button and will serve no notice on newspapers that boys who cannot produce badges must not be served.

The French army engineers have established a wireless telegraphic system with the island of Martinique, and already official messages between the governments of the two colonies have been exchanged.

## BIG BABIES.

Healthy Children Make Happy Mothers.

No baby ever came into the world, however weak and ill, but held as its birthright the precious dower of a mother's priceless love. But love can do so little for the weakling child except pity it and sorrow for its helplessness, that the mother who had looked forward to the care of her child with happy anticipation finds it a task that tests her devotion, to care for a puny, fretful, wailing baby.

What a difference when the baby is big, healthy and happy! What a joy



to watch the growth of the sturdy little one, whose gurgling laughter finds an echo in the voice of every member of the family.

The question is, are the conditions which determined the strength or weakness of the child unalterable? Is it possible that a mother who has borne several children and lost them all because of inherent weakness can be strengthened so that her children shall be healthy and hardy?

#### Read the Answer

to that question, written by a woman who is certainly competent to speak as to the remarkable strength-giving power of Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription.

Mrs. Alex. Kjer, of Gordonville, Cape Girardeau, Mo., writes: "When I look at my little boy I feel it my duty to write to you. Perhaps some one will see my testimony and be led to use your 'Favorite Prescription' and be blessed in the same way. This is my fifth child and the only one who lived; the others having died from lack of nourishment—so the doctor said. I was not sickly in any way, and this time I just thought I would try your 'Prescription.' I took nine bottles, and to my surprise it carried me through and gave me as fine a little boy as ever was. Weighed ten and one-half pounds. He is now five months old, has never been sick a day, and is so strong that everybody who sees him wonders at him. He is so playful and holds himself up so well. So many have asked me, 'Do you think these are the testimonials of the people, or has Dr. Pierce just made them up and printed them?' that I should like you to print this.

"I do hope that if any women have the same trouble that I have had they will try Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription. We recommended it to one of our

neighbors and she tried it and the result is a big, healthy boy. Her last two babies before this one were born dead, after she had suffered untold misery. She feels very grateful for the 'Favorite Prescription.' Such testimony as that of Mrs. Kjer must carry conviction to the mind of every woman who reads it, and let this be remembered; there are thousands of such testimonials to the fact that Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription makes weak women strong and sick women well. There is indeed scarcely a form of disease peculiar to women and curable by medicine which has not yielded to the use of 'Favorite Prescription.' Weak and Nervous.

"I was very weak and nervous when I commenced taking Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription and 'Golden Medical Discovery' about a year ago," writes Mrs. M. E. Everett, of 98 Oxford St., Woodstock, Ont. "I had been suffering for seven long months, and had taken medicine from a physician all the time, but it seemed to make me feel much worse. My stomach was bad (so my doctor told me), and my nerves were in such a state that I would start at the least noise. I felt irritable all the time. How I suffered God and myself alone know. I was greatly discouraged when I commenced taking your medicines, but the first bottle seemed to help me. I took five bottles of 'Favorite Prescription' and 'Golden Medical Discovery' to all my sickness dated from the birth of my last child, who died—the same day she was born. My own life hung on a thread for weeks. If I had only taken Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription I am sure my poor baby would have been alive to-day. I suffered all the time before she was born. I never had better health than I now enjoy, and it is all owing to Dr. Pierce's medicines." Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription is a safe and sure medicine for women. It contains no alcohol, neither opium, cocaine, nor any other narcotic. It establishes regularity, dries the drains which weaken women, heals inflammation and ulceration, and cures female weakness. It is the best preparative for maternity—tranquilizing the nerves, encouraging the appetite and inducing refreshing sleep. It cures the nausea experienced by many women who anticipate maternity. It increases the physical vigor and vitality, so that the ordeal is approached without anxiety, and the baby's advent is made practically painless.

#### Woman's Opportunity.

Dr. Pierce invites women who suffer from long standing ailments to consult him by letter, free. All correspondence is held strictly private. Address Dr. R. V. Pierce, Buffalo, N. Y. Accept no substitute for "Favorite Prescription." There is no motive for substituting except to enable the dealer to make out of his customer the little more profit paid by less meritorious medicines.

#### Absolutely Priceless.

Dr. Pierce's Common Sense Medical Adviser is priceless in two meanings: It is priceless as being above price, and priceless as being without price. It is the best popular work on medicine, at any price, and it costs nothing, being sent entirely free on receipt of stamps to pay expense of mailing only. Send 31 one-cent stamps for the book in cloth binding, or only 21 cents for it in paper covers. Address Dr. R. V. Pierce, Buffalo, N. Y.

## Don't Take Our Word for It

Satisfy Yourself. It's Easily Done.

# "SALADA"

CEYLON TEA is sold only in sealed lead packets at all grocers. One trial will prove it to be the purest and most delicious tea grown. Black, Mixed or Green. Sold only in lead packets. By all Grocers. 40c., 50c., 60c. per lb.

There will be morning prayer at 7 o'clock at the rectory, Rev. Percival Jones, being the preacher at both services. After the service the first of the Lenten series of organ recitals will be given as follows:

Organ Solo—The Cornelia Processional. March. A. Longfield. Mendelssohn.  
Soprano Solo—The Holy City. R. Adams.  
Organ Solo—Shepherd of Souls. R. Jones.  
Bass Solo—The Outcast. W. H. Jude.  
Violin Solo—Cyprian Anthem. Rosini.  
Contralto Solo—The Butter Land. Jude.  
W. H. Jude.  
(Violin Obligato, R. Fawcett.)  
Organ Solo—Offertoire in G. Mouton.  
A. Longfield.

**CHRIST CHURCH CATHEDRAL.**  
Preacher, morning, the Bishop; evening, Canon Beaudouin.

**FIRST PRESBYTERIAN.**  
The pastor, Rev. Dr. Campbell, will preach morning and evening, Sunday school and Bible class at 2:30 o'clock. In the afternoon at 4 o'clock a meeting of the Junior Endeavor will be held, while at 9 o'clock in the evening the Senior Endeavor will meet.

**ST. ANDREW'S PRESBYTERIAN.**  
Services at 11 a. m. and 7 p. m. Rev. W. Leslie Clay, R. A., will preach morning and evening, Sunday school, 2:30 Bible class, 2.

**METROPOLITAN METHODIST.**  
Services will be held at 11 a. m. and 7 p. m. The preacher will be Rev. M. Powell, of Nanaimo.

**JAMES BAY METHODIST.**  
Services will be conducted morning and evening by Rev. Mr. Scott. Sunday school and Bible class at the usual time.

**CENTENNIAL METHODIST.**  
The pastor, Rev. J. P. Westman, will preach morning and evening, at 11 a. m., reception of members; subject of address, "The Struggle of Life"; subject at 7 p. m., "Kadesh Barnea." Song service commences at 7 sharp.

**EMMANUEL BAPTIST.**  
Pastor P. H. McEwen will preach morning and evening, Sunday school, 2:30 p. m., Young People's Meeting for Bible study, Monday, 8 p. m., Church prayer meeting, Thursday, 8 p. m., Lord's Supper at close of morning services.

**CALVARY BAPTIST.**  
Pastor, Rev. J. P. Vlecher, M. A. Services at 11 a. m. and 7 p. m. conducted by the pastor. The ordinance of the Lord's Supper will be observed at the evening service, Sunday, February 29, at 7 o'clock. Prayer meeting, Thursday, at 8 p. m.

**CONGREGATIONAL.**  
The pastor, Rev. R. B. Blyth, will preach at both services, 11 a. m. and 7 p. m. Communion service, Sunday, February 29, at 7 o'clock. The second sermon of a series on the "Prophetic Word" will be preached, Sunday school, 2:30 p. m.; C. E. Society, 8:15 p. m.

**CHRISTADELPHIANS.**  
Public meetings for the advocacy of the one faith are held in the A. O. U. W. building, room No. 1, upstairs, every other Sunday evening, commencing at 7 o'clock. Subject of lecture to-morrow night, "The Valid Person." Return of Jesus Christ to Establish the Kingdom of God Upon the Earth. All are cordially invited. Seats free; no collection.

**CHRISTIAN SCIENCE.**  
The Sunday service of the Christian Science Society will be held at 11 a. m. Subject, "Man."

**SPIRITUALISM.**  
The Psychic Research Society will hold the usual service in Caledonia hall, Blanchard street, at 7:30. Mrs. Nettie Holt Harding, lecturer. After the lecture a few tests will be given.

**VICTORIA HARBOR MISSION.**  
First Sunday in Lent. Evening, with mission address, will be held in the Seamen's Institute, Store street, at 7:30 p. m. Church Army hymn book songs. This service is open to the public generally, and a cordial invitation is extended to all who are interested in mission work among seamen. J. S. Bailey, licensed missionary.

**UNIVERSAL BROTHERHOOD.**  
Universal Brotherhood and Theosophical Society, Lodge No. 27, will hold its Sunday public meeting in the Williams block, Broad street, at 8:15 p. m., when addresses will be given upon the following subjects from a Theosophical standpoint: "The 'That' of the Universe," "After Darkness, Light," "The Fourth Object International Brotherhood League."

**OUT-ON-STRIKE.**  
Three Hundred Clerks in Transportation and Telegraph Departments of C. F. R. Quit Work.

Vancouver, Feb. 27.—The Brotherhood of Railway Employees of the Canadian Pacific railway went out on strike today at noon, when three hundred clerks left the freight transportation and telegraph departments.

The trouble arose, according to Supt. Marpole, over the dismissal of a freight clerk named Forrest, for cause. The Brotherhood demanded his reinstatement. This demand was refused at 9:30 this morning. The Brotherhood gave the railway management until noon to reinstate Forrest. Forrest not being reinstated, the strike was ordered on the whole length of line, which involves over 1,000 clerks in the system, not many as yet belonging to the Brotherhood in Toronto and Montreal, but the union being thoroughly organized between Vancouver and Winnipeg.

The strikers state that when Mr. Marpole was approached in regard to Forrest, he told them that he would not now or at any other time recognize the Brotherhood, and that this would end the Brotherhood with him. They state that Forrest was dismissed only because he refused to resign from the Brotherhood at the railway's request, and that the railway were threatening many of their clerks that they must resign from the Brotherhood or be dismissed.

It was then announced that a spokesman of a committee of the Brotherhood who demand reinstatement of two officials, a request which the railway consented. Thus, they say, was picked out for the first victim in the road's war against the Brotherhood. The strikers claim they were compelled to strike or be dismissed, as the railway gave them no choice.

All the offices are open, being run by the official heads with scant help rapidly collected.

**SEVERAL FATALITIES.**  
The Gale in Great Britain—Train Blown Over and a Number of Cars Wrecked.

London, Feb. 27.—Great havoc was wrought by the storm which swept Great Britain throughout the night. There were several fatalities caused by falling chimneys and debris. Many houses were uninhabited.

The wind in the north of England broke with cyclonic force. The Lancashire mills and churches suffered greatly. The grand stand of the Lancashire Football Club was lifted bodily and deposited outside the grounds. Scores of show windows at Liverpool were blown in and the goods scattered about the streets. At Ulverston, Lancashire, a passenger train was blown over, a number of passengers injured and ten cars wrecked.

Great damage is reported from the coast resorts. A newly erected church at Holyhead was lifted from its foundations, and fell in a heap of ruins. A number of the supports of the suspension bridge over the Mersey, separating the island of Anglesey from the Welsh coast, were carried away and traffic over the bridge was stopped.

The gale swept over Ireland from north to south. At Cork a three-story building, built by fifteen people, one of them being killed and one fatally injured. Various coast points report vessels ashore. The rivers in the interior are flooded.

#### DAUGHTERS OF PITTY.

Regular Monthly Meeting Held Yesterday Afternoon—Arranging For Entertainment.

Yesterday afternoon at the city hall the regular meeting of the Daughters of Pitt of the Provincial Royal Jubilee hospital was held. President, vice-president, secretary and treasurer and twelve members of the society were present. A lengthy discussion took place on plans for Lenten work, and arrangements for an entertainment to be given in the late spring. The latter will be a musical extravaganza from "Wonderland."

A motion was passed providing for the presentation of a piano to the hospital. The object is to allow the society to give occasional musical recitals for the convalescent patients.

The report of the visiting committee showed that footstools were needed, and orders were issued for the purchase of a dozen good hammocks.

During Lent the work committee will meet at the hospital on Friday between the hours of 2 and 4 p. m.

The report of the treasurer showed a balance of \$240 funded and \$21 working funds.

The secretary of the board of directors wrote thanking the society for recent donations.

Miss Ethel Brown made application for membership, and was heartily welcomed. Miss Becker and Miss Brown were appointed visitors for the month. The meeting then closed.

#### A Good Morning Meal Is Assured When You Use Malt Breakfast Food

THE ONLY FOOD THAT SUPPLIES NEEDED ENERGY AND STRENGTH TO BODY AND BRAIN.

Delicious and appetizing Malt Breakfast Food supplies in full measure the needed energy and strength to body and brain for each day's work. It is the world's ideal food for all who toil with brain or muscle. Malt Breakfast Food easily holds first place as the most nourishing of grain foods. It has the best of gluten wheat as its base, to which is added the wonderful properties of pure Malt. Try it. All Grocers sell it.

#### NOT RESPONSIBLE.

BRITISH BARQUE "BANKLEIGH" EVANS, Master.

FROM LIVERPOOL.

Neither the master nor the undersigned will be responsible for any debts contracted by the crew of the above vessel, without their written authority.

R. P. RITHEIT & CO., LTD., Agents.

#### Fine Teas and Coffees

Imported direct from the place of growth. Teas scientifically blended, and Coffees roasted fresh every day on the premises.

Teas, 25c. to \$1.00 a pound.  
Coffees, 20c. to 60c. a pound.  
Price according to quality.

#### "Rickshaw" Tea and Coffee Store

PHONE 128. 62 FORT ST. GOODS DELIVERED.

## Wethey's Mince Meat

The labor of making mince meat at home spoils the pleasure of using it. It's hard work, and when you remember how good Wethey's Delicious Condensed Mince Meat is and how little it costs, you won't want the labor of making it.

Absolutely clean. Put up in dainty "brick" packages. Enough for two large or three medium pies. Ready to add vinegar, cider, wine or brandy. Ask for Wethey's and take no other. Sold by grocers everywhere.



## Money to Loan

On first-class real estate. Apply

Robertson & Robertson, SOLICITORS, 8 BASTION SQUARE.

## English Flower Seeds!!

Sweet Peas

A specialty. A collection of 15 varieties that obtained highest marks at the London Sweet Pea Conference last year. One plant of each for 75c.

VICTORIA FLORAL CO., Victoria, B. C.

## Str. B. Boscowitz

WILL SAIL AT 9 P.M. MONDAY, MARCH 2nd, FOR PORT SIMPSON AND WAX FORTS.

J. D. WARREN, AGENT, 36 BROAD STREET.

## Consignees' Notice.

BR SHIP "Bankleigh" FROM LIVERPOOL. EVANS, Master.

This vessel commenced discharging cargo at the outer wharf Friday morning, February 27th, and following days. Consignees are requested to present bills of lading at the office of the undersigned, pay freight, and receive orders for their goods.

All goods remaining on the wharf after 5 o'clock each day, and while on the wharf, will be at the risk of the consignees thereof respectively, and may be stored at their expense.

R. P. RITHEIT & CO., LTD., Consignees.

RE ELEANOR BAILEY, LATE OF VICTORIA, DECEASED.

All persons having claims against the estate of the above deceased are requested to send particulars of the same to the undersigned on or before the 31st day of March next.

Dated this 26th day of February, A. D. 1903.

J. P. WALLS, Solicitor for the Executors, 14 Bastion Square, Victoria.

## New Spring Suitings

In exclusive designs for gentlemen's wear. Also a fine line of up-to-date Trousering and Coat Cutting.

JOHN MCCURRACH, Merchant Tailor, 22 Trowace Ave.

## Good Buys in Real Estate

6 roomed house, close to car line ... \$3,500  
5 roomed cottage, Pembroke St. ... 900  
7 roomed house, near car line ... 1,000  
Farm to suit purchaser ... 1,000  
11-acre farm, mostly under cultivation, all fenced, close to city ... 8,000

J. E. CHURCH, 14 Trowace Ave.

## Miss Best, Phrenologist and Palmist.

Gold Medalist, offers to the public a free ticket on an opal ring set with diamonds to all those who have their head or hand read before April 10th. The one that gets the lucky number receives a beautiful opal ring. All those whom she has met have been well pleased with the accurate readings. Her long stay in your city has given her a wide acquaintance. Call and see Miss Best and learn how to be happy, select a profession and make a success in life. Fee, one dollar for palm reading, two dollars for head; children half price. Office hours, 2 p. m. to 9 p. m. Address 50 Pandora St.

## Seeds! Seeds!

This is the time of year for planting early seeds. We have the very best varieties in stock for the climate.

JAY & CO., 13 BROAD STREET.

## Alexandra Royal College of Music and Art.

15 Broad Street, Victoria, B.C. Miss, Stone Instructor.

Musical and physical culture classes. Monday, Wednesday and Saturday afternoons of each week. Special classes will be formed for the Minnet.

NOTICE. From and after this date I will not be responsible for any debts contracted in my name without my written order.

R. H. McMillan, February 26th, 1903.

# Rogers' Famous Cutlery

## Is Used by His Majesty King Edward VII.

Rogers & Sons, Ltd., of Sheffield, England, lead in high grade and durable cutlery, not made for show or merely to sell, but for years of hard service. This is the cutlery you should buy. We are making a special show of this famous cutlery in our Government street window.

Rogers' Oval Celluloid Table Knives .....	\$7.50 dozen
Rogers' Oval Celluloid Dessert Knives .....	\$5.50 dozen
Rogers' Carving Sets, in cases, from .....	\$4.00 each

Our cutlery stock is not limited to one make; almost every manufacturer has his special line, or produces an article of superior merit. We do a large business in Geo. Butler's cutlery, and can guarantee the goods.

## GEO. BUTLER'S CUTLERY

Is worthy your consideration when the question of good values in a sharp line comes up for your judgment.

Butler's Square Celluloid Table Knives .....	\$6.00 dozen
Butler's Square Celluloid Dessert Knives .....	\$5.50 dozen
Kitchen Knives and Forks at .....	\$1.50, \$2.00, \$2.50 and \$3.00 the dozen pair

Bread Knives from 50c. (The kind that cut.)

GO TO  
**WEILER BROS.**  
FOR CUTLERY

39

THE STERLING, 39 GOV'T ST.  
THE STERLING, 39 GOV'T ST.  
THE STERLING, 39 GOV'T ST.

THE STERLING, 39 GOV'T ST.  
THE STERLING, 39 GOV'T ST.  
THE STERLING, 39 GOV'T ST.

THE STERLING, 39 GOV'T ST.  
THE STERLING, 39 GOV'T ST.  
THE STERLING, 39 GOV'T ST.

THE STERLING, 39 GOV'T ST.  
THE STERLING, 39 GOV'T ST.  
THE STERLING, 39 GOV'T ST.

THE STERLING, 39 GOV'T ST.  
THE STERLING, 39 GOV'T ST.  
THE STERLING, 39 GOV'T ST.

THE STERLING, 39 GOV'T ST.  
THE STERLING, 39 GOV'T ST.  
THE STERLING, 39 GOV'T ST.

39

60 DAYS...

THE ENTIRE STOCK OF DRY GOODS MUST BE SOLD WITHIN 60 DAYS...

THE ENTIRE STOCK OF DRY GOODS MUST BE SOLD WITHIN 60 DAYS...

THE ENTIRE STOCK OF DRY GOODS MUST BE SOLD WITHIN 60 DAYS...

THE ENTIRE STOCK OF DRY GOODS MUST BE SOLD WITHIN 60 DAYS...

39

THE STERLING, 39 GOV'T ST.  
THE STERLING, 39 GOV'T ST.  
THE STERLING, 39 GOV'T ST.

THE STERLING, 39 GOV'T ST.  
THE STERLING, 39 GOV'T ST.  
THE STERLING, 39 GOV'T ST.

THE STERLING, 39 GOV'T ST.  
THE STERLING, 39 GOV'T ST.  
THE STERLING, 39 GOV'T ST.

THE STERLING, 39 GOV'T ST.  
THE STERLING, 39 GOV'T ST.  
THE STERLING, 39 GOV'T ST.

THE STERLING, 39 GOV'T ST.  
THE STERLING, 39 GOV'T ST.  
THE STERLING, 39 GOV'T ST.

THE STERLING, 39 GOV'T ST.  
THE STERLING, 39 GOV'T ST.  
THE STERLING, 39 GOV'T ST.

39

# THE STERLING

## Has Just Sixty Days More

IN WHICH TO DISPOSE OF THE

## Entire Stock of Dry Goods and Furnishing Goods

### Dress Goods Dep't.

#### Read These Snaps

Black Alpaca, reduced from 35c. to 15c. a yard.  
Astrakhan, reduced from \$2.50 to \$1.00 a yard.  
Cashmerette Wall Shades for evening wear, reduced to 12c. a yard.  
Dress Tweeds, 56 inches wide, in light grey and other shades, worth 90c. a yard; now 60c.  
Backlinette, 12 yards, for \$1.00.  
500 Yards Black Cashmere, all wool, worth 65c., reduced to 35c. a yard.  
10,000 Yards of Dress Goods slaughtered.

### Millinery Department

In this Department there are a few Trimmed Hats left that will be offered at HALF PRICE, and every Hat to be SLAUGHTERED.

Feathers, Wings, Aigrettes, Osprey Breasts, Quills, Ornaments, Chiffons, Veilings, Silks, Satins, Velvets, Ribbons and Laces. All to be Slaughtered at 60 Day Must Get Out Prices.

### Hosiery Department

Ladies' Black Ribbed Hose ..... at 15c a pair  
Children's Black Hose 10c. a pair  
100 doz. Men's Mixed Cotton Socks ..... at 8c. a pair

### Ladies' Rain Coats.

There are many Odds and Ends in this Department, all to be Slaughtered at less than cost.  
\$6.00 Gossamers ..... now \$2.50

### Ginghams & Shirtings

500 yards Gingham, worth 10c. a yard. 16 yards for.....\$1.00  
475 yards Gingham, worth 15c. a yard. 12 yards for.....\$1.00  
Apron Gingham Bordered, worth regularly 20c. a yard. Closing out sale price..... 12 1/2c. a yard

Bargains in Remnants of Calico.

Sale Commences Monday, March 2nd.

### Ladies' Underwear.

Ladies' Nightdresses, worth 75c.; now 45c.  
Ladies' Nightdresses, worth 80c.; now 50c.  
Ladies' Nightdresses, worth \$1.25; now 75c.  
Ladies' Nightdresses, worth \$1.75; now \$1.10.  
Ladies' Nightdresses, worth \$2.50; now \$1.75.  
Ladies' Trimmed Drawers, 25c. a pair.  
Ladies' Corset Covers, 20c. each.  
\$1,500.00 worth Muslin Underwear, all to be slaughtered at 60-day sale prices; all of the Underwear is made of the best quality muslin and best embroideries.

Never was the saying "Time is Money" truer than to-day, and if you want to buy a big lot of Dry Goods cheap and for little money, this is an opportunity that will not present itself again, as we must be out within 60 days, as we are positively retiring from business.

### 300 Yards Eiderdown

All Wool.  
To be Slaughtered at  
35 Cents a Yard.

### Men's and Ladies' Handkerchiefs.

Silk, Linen and Cambric.  
500 Dozen.  
Men's Hemstitched Silk, were 60c. .... now 30c  
Ladies' Hemstitched and Embroidered. The entire lot to be Slaughtered.

### Domestic Department.

8 Quarter Sheet, Best Quality..... 17 1/2c. a yard  
Bleached Cotton. 22 yards for.....\$1.00 and upwards  
Brown Cotton, 22 yards for.....\$1.00 and upwards  
35c. White Flannel. Now..... 25c.  
Many Short Lengths and Remnants at sacrifice prices.

And Will Continue 60 Days for Bargains Everything Regardless of Cost.

### LADIES' JACKETS.

That were worth \$8.00; now reduced to \$2.50.

### NOTIONS.

Silk Buttons, all shades, in good color, all sizes, 1c a dozen.

### Blankets. Comforts. Quilts.

White Blankets reduced from \$2.50 to \$1.50 a pair.

### CURTAIN NETTING.

20 Yards for \$1.00

Extra salesmen have been engaged to handle the crowds, so that everyone will be waited on properly.

Sale Commences Monday Morning at 9 o'clock.

### Silk Department.

Silks and Satins in black and colors, short and long lengths, at Half their former prices.

### Dress Trimmings.

This Dept of Guimpes, Braids and Passementeries and Jets, all being Slaughtered under cost.

### GLOVES.

Ladies' Silk Evening Gloves, all colors..... 60c. a pair

### LACE CURTAINS.

Reduced from 75c. to 40c. a pair.

Sewing Cotton..... 35c. a dozen

# THE STERLING.

60 DAYS...

THE ENTIRE STOCK OF DRY GOODS MUST BE SOLD WITHIN 60 DAYS...

THE ENTIRE STOCK OF DRY GOODS MUST BE SOLD WITHIN 60 DAYS...

THE ENTIRE STOCK OF DRY GOODS MUST BE SOLD WITHIN 60 DAYS...

THE ENTIRE STOCK OF DRY GOODS MUST BE SOLD WITHIN 60 DAYS...

## Your Prescription

When prepared by us is accurate in every detail, absolutely pure, just exactly as the doctor intended it should be. Our prices are reasonable.

**JOHN COCHRANE,**  
CHEMIST,  
N. W. Cor. Yates and Douglas Sts.

## CITY NEWS IN BRIEF.

H. M. S. Phetson arrived at Punta Arenas on February 24th.

Harry Lindley's Company will open their Victoria engagement in the A. O. U. W. hall on Monday next, the bill being "The Special Deposit."

The last performance of "A Chinese Pet" was given in A. O. U. W. hall last night. As usual, both principals and chorus acquitted themselves most creditably.

B. H. Seabrook has resigned his position of manager of the extensive works owned by the Albion Iron Works Co., Ltd., at Victoria, and Vancouver. When asked his reasons for leaving the company, he preferred not to discuss the question. It is understood Mr. Seabrook will take a well-earned holiday before re-entering business.

A. F. Gwin, one of the passengers arriving from the West Coast on the steamer Queen City, brings news that the Copper Mountain Mining & Development Company will, if present indications are borne out, make marked strides in development work this year. A cut 100 feet wide has been made across the property exposing a seam of ore as vast in extent as any seen in the province. Mr. Gwin believes that the mine will, in the near future, rival the now famous Treva property. At the latter mine there were 6,000 tons of ore on the dump.

A number of mischievous lads have been causing much annoyance by defacing a number of cottages in course of erection on Michigan street, opposite Parry street, James Bay. The police will take the matter up, and the boys, if caught, will be brought to book.

A report has reached the city of a rich strike which has been made on the property of Captain John Irving and other Victorians on Kennedy lake. The vein, which has been stripped, is said to be from 6 to 8 feet wide, and to be exceedingly promising. The strike has created much excitement among those interested.

## MODERN DISPENSING.

Modern, up-to-date dispensing calls for a thorough knowledge of the drug trade, drugs of the best quality, and the proper facilities for insuring accurate and quick work. Our arrangements are perfect for dispensing work, and our prices right in every case.

## A POPULAR MEDICINE.

Paine's Celery Compound is giving marvellous results to sick people. The wonderful cures wrought have made Paine's Celery Compound justly popular. Thousands cured of rheumatism, neuralgia, blood troubles and nervous complaints, now sing the praises of the great medicine. We always have a full stock of the genuine "Paine's."

Denn & Hisecks, druggists, Corner Yates and Broad streets, Victoria, B.C.

The hearing of the case of Phil Robinson, who it is alleged induced people to personate voters at the North Victoria election, was resumed before Messrs. Pearson and McFicking, justices of the peace, last evening. The pursuer of the Inquiries, Wm. Macro, gave evidence regarding the trip of the steamer from Vancouver to Galliano island on the morning of December 23rd. She carried about twenty passengers, he believed. The hearing was then adjourned until this morning when the proceedings were continued. The only witness examined to-day was Charles Holland, who gave evidence to the effect that he heard the accused tell Darlington in the Europe saloon to board the Inquiries at 3 a. m. The case was further adjourned until Monday as the prosecution desires to produce another witness, who is expected to arrive from Vancouver tonight.

This morning the charge against Charles Holland, of securing personation in the North Victoria election, was dismissed in the provincial police court by Justices of the Peace Pearson and McFicking.

An entertainment will be given this evening at the A. O. U. W. hall under the auspices of Branch No. 1, Federated Association of Letter Carriers. The chair will be occupied by H. Dallas Holmbeck, M.P.P. The programme, published in these columns last Wednesday, is an excellent one. All who attend are assured of a pleasant time.

This morning in the police court a couple of Indians were fined \$5 and \$1 each or in default ten days' imprisonment for drunkenness. A Chinaman was charged with stealing some track fixtures from the B. C. Electric Railway Company. The accused was arrested by Detective Macdonald, to whom he said he found the things on the sidewalk. In court, however, he swore they were given to him by a man who was moving out of a house, and who said they were of no use to him. The case was ultimately remanded until Monday next.

## SEMLIN'S MAJORITY.

He Defeated Dr. Sanson, the Government Candidate, by 112.

The final returns for West Yale show that C. A. Semlin defeated Dr. Sanson, the government candidate, by a majority of 112. In addition to the figures published in last evening's Times the following have been received: Princeton—Semlin, 44; Sanson, 13. Granite Creek—Semlin, 5; Sanson, 6. Otter Valley—Semlin, 4; Sanson, 1. The total vote was: Semlin, 282; Sanson, 170.

When wash y greasy dishes or pots and pans, Lever's Dry Soap (a powder), will remove the grease with the greatest ease.

BETTER WITHOUT A STOMACH than with one that got a constant "hard" to it. Dr. Von Sian's Pineapple Tablets stimulate the digestive organs. Let one enjoy the good things of life and leave no bad effects—carry them with you in your vest pocket—in a box, 35 cents. Sold by Jackson & Co. and Hall & Co.—48.

An explosion in the cellar of the Imperial palace at Vienna yesterday caused momentary excitement, but it was soon ascertained that it was due to the accidental discharge of some sporting ammunition. A couple of workmen were injured.

## CONSUMPTION

Prevented and Cured.  
Four marvellous free remedies for all sufferers reading this paper. New cure for Tuberculosis, Consumption, Weak Lungs, Catarrh, and a rundown system.

## FREE.

Do you cough?  
Do your lungs pain you?  
Is your throat sore and inflamed?  
Do you spit up phlegm?  
Does your head ache?  
Is your appetite bad?  
Are your lungs delicate?  
Are you losing flesh?  
Are you pale and thin?  
Do you lack stamina?  
These symptoms are proof that you have in your body the seeds of the most dangerous malady that has ever devastated the earth—consumption.

You are invited to test what this system will do for you, if you are sick, by writing for a FREE TRIAL TREATMENT.

The Four Free Remedies will be forwarded you by express, with complete directions for use. The Slocum System is a positive cure for Consumption, that most insidious disease, and for all Lung troubles and Disorders, complicated by Loss of Flesh, Coughs, Catarrh, Asthma, Bronchitis and Heart Trouble.

Simply write to the T. A. Slocum Chemical Company, Limited, 779 King Street West, Toronto, Ontario, Canada, and the Four Free Remedies (the Slocum Cure) will be promptly sent.

Persons seeing Slocum's free offer in American papers will please send for samples to Toronto. Mention this paper.

## VICTORIA THEATRE.

The Coronation Choir And Concert Party  
From Westminster Abbey, London, Eng.

Two Grand Performances  
TUESDAY AND WEDNESDAY, MARCH 3rd AND 4th.

Seats, \$1.00, 75c, 50c and 25c.

Reserved seats on sale at Victoria Book & Stationery Co.



## RUGBY FOOTBALL.

VANCOUVER v. VICTORIA.  
The local high school left for the Mainland last evening to play the Vancouver High school team to-day.

## BASKETBALL.

AT DRILL HALL.  
As announced yesterday, a match will be played to-night at the drill hall between the J. R. A. A. and Vancouver teams.

## THE HUNT.

REGULAR RUN.  
The regular run of the Victoria Hunt Club is being held at this afternoon. The start was made at 3 o'clock at the Colwood hotel.

## HOCKEY.

PRACTICE MATCH.  
The Victoria ladies' and gentlemen's hockey teams are holding their regular weekly practice game this afternoon at Oak Bay grounds.

## HANDBALL.

FIRST ROUND.  
The first round of the James Bay Athletic Association handball tournament played yesterday resulted as follows: Davie beat Dillabough, 21-10; 21-8; J. Leeming beat G. Simpson, 20-21; 20-19; 15-18; A. D. Belyea beat A. Tally, 20-10; 15-21; 21-15; C. Pen-drage beat F. Desser, 21-15; 15-21; 21-19; C. Gillespie beat J. Hart, 21-10; 21-13.

There still remains three games before the first round in the singles is complete.

The results of the doubles are as follows: S. Jost and B. Pettigall beat K. Gillespie and J. R. Green, 21-12; 21-10; C. F. Davie and W. H. Jones beat A. D. Belyea and J. Finlayson, 21-10; 21-15.

## ASSOCIATION FOOTBALL.

FOUR GAMES.  
There are four Association football matches being played this afternoon. At the Caladonia grounds a senior match is taking place between the Victoria and Royal Artillery teams; at Beacon Hill a game is being played between the Victoria West and Capital Intermediates, and the Central and South Park Junior teams; at the Caladonia grounds the Columbia and Egbert teams are playing. The Junior League commenced at 1.45 and the others at 3 o'clock.

## PURE MILK.

Adulteration of milk and of milk products has become so great a peril in every nation, according to the opinion of the Belgian National Dairy Association, that that body has decided to call an international congress on the subject. It is planned to have the gathering in Brussels in September. The association attributes a large proportion of the world's digestive woes to deleterious dairy products, and will urge the creation of an International Dairy Association, adequately financed and with headquarters in some central city.

Superior cutlery from Rogers & Sons, Ltd., and Geo. Butler, of Sheffield. The truest steel is alone used by these respectable houses. See our show window on Government street, Weller Bros.

## ITCHING, BURNING SKIN DISEASES.

CURED FOR THIRTY-FIVE CENTS.—Dr. Agnew's Ointment relieves in one day, and cures Tetter, Salt Rheum, Scald Head, Eczema, Barber's Itch, Ulcers, Blisters and all eruptions of the skin. It is soothing and quieting and acts like magic in the cure of all such humors. 50c. Sold by Jackson & Co. and Hall & Co.—47.

Weller Bros' stock of "household utensils," such as brooms, brushes, wooden ware, enamel ware and many other necessary articles for house use is displayed on their first floor. You will find the prices all right. Weller Bros.

Spots caused by fruit stains may be removed by holding a lighted sulphur match under the stain.

Bananas damaged by flies, have often been known to break off a branch and use it as a fan.

Naturalists are still in doubt as to whether the sponge is a plant or an animal.

## NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

WANTED—Situation as housekeeper. Particulars at 105 Cornsant street.

FOR SALE—Cheap house and lot; a good stand for a shoemaker, owner has established this business and is going away. Apply A. Wood, Chemist.

BENEFIT SOCIAL DANCE will be given under the auspices of the Companions of the Forest, Sir William Wallace Hall, Thursday evening, March 5th, 1903. Admission 50c.

VIRGINIA HOMES—Learn all about Virginia, soil, water, climate, products, fruits, berries, cultivation, prices, etc., by reading Virginia Farmer. Send 10c for 3 months' subscription to Box C, Farmer Co., Emporia, Va.

\$5 TO \$50 PER MONTH buys stock in 100 different companies; double your money in 30 days; impossible to lose; gigantic combination of small investors; no margin, turf or gambling scheme. American Corporation Trust, Denver, Colo.

LECTURE—Rev. J. R. Dering will deliver a lecture with lantern illustrations, of China and Her People, at Knox church, Stanley avenue, Tuesday evening, March 3rd. Admission 50c.

FOUND—Cap, also sum of money; owner can have same by describing property. Apply Wm. Stewart, 47 Fort street.

LOST—Purse, on Pemberton road or Fort street car; owner's name inside. Reward at Times Office.

LOST—This morning (Saturday) an addressed envelope, containing a sum of money, between Westside and King's road. Finder will be rewarded by returning same to 55 Third street.

## F. J. Bittan Court Auction

Valuable Furniture And Furnishings of a Two Story House.

Under instructions from Miss Devereux, I will sell by PUBLIC AUCTION at her residence.

47 Vancouver Street, —ON—

Tuesday, Mar. 3, at 2 p.m.

PARTIAL LIST.

An Antique Chiffonier in Solid Oak, with Bevel Mirrors; Sideboard in Oak; Book Case, solid Cherry, with Bevel Mirrors; office Book Cases; Cabinet Grand Piano; Greta's Piano, with full iron frame, Over-string Scale, Three Pedals, Ivory Keys, solid Walnut; Yonker's Case, rich mahogany; Silverware, Glassware and Decorations; Solid Walnut Extension Table; Hanging Lamp; Hall Lamps; 30 Vol. the Art of the World; other Books; Odd Pieces for Drawing Room; Settee; Wicker Chairs; Arm Chairs; Lounges; Fish Cover; Set of Dining chairs, Case Seated; other Chairs; Oil Paintings; Pictures; Linoleum; Stair Carpet; 4 Bedroom Suits, hardwood; Odd Furniture; Occasional Tables; Commode Chair; Chest of Drawers; Odd Wash Stand; 12 Pair Wool Blankets in All condition; 1 Doz. All Feather Pillows; Quantity of Towels, Bed Linen and other Linen; Allright and other Heaters; Piping; Lace Curtains and other Curtains; Iron and Brass Bedsteads; All Hair Mattresses; other Mattresses; Dining Room; Carpet Squares; Matting; Mirrors; a Good Range; Dinner Set, 125 Pieces; Granite Ware; Ironing Board, and good assortment of Kitchen Necessaries; Lawn Mower; 100 Feet Tube and Board, etc. Also at the same place and time I will offer for sale a good Bazaar, Bazaar and Upholstery, the property of Mr. A. B. McPhillips. F. J. BITTAN COURT, Auctioneer. (Colonist Copy.)

## Auction

Victoria Auction Mart

BROAD STREET, BETWEEN JOHNSON AND PANDORA.

Wednesday, March 4th

AT 2 P. M.

—OF—

Valuable Furniture,

Art Squares,

Rugs, Etc.

Solid Oak 3-Piece Bedroom Suite, cost \$25; Ash and Elm 3-Piece Bedroom Suite; Oak Folding Bed; Iron Bedsteads; Bureau and Washstands; Oak and other Sideboards; Parlor Suites in Oak and Mahogany; Sofas; Lounges; Settees; Bookers and Upholstered Chairs; Cots; Marble Top Walnut Table; Hair and Moss Box Mattresses; Blankets; Sheets; Spread, etc. No reserve.

VICTORIA AUCTION MART.

## NOW

CONSIDERING

SPRING SUITS?

The Pick of the Season's

Importation

Can now be obtained from British, New Zealand and Canadian goods, at

THOMAS & GRANT'S,

THE GOVERNMENT ST. TAILORS.

## NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS.

Tenders will be received on or before Thursday, Feb. 26, at 5 p. m., for the erection and completion of a frame residence on Dunedin street.

Drawings and specifications may be seen at the office of the undersigned.

Lowest or any tender not necessarily accepted.

HOOPER & WATKINS,

Rooms 9 and 11 Fire Architects' Block.

## MONUMENTS

BE SURE TO

Get STEWART'S Prices

on Monuments, Cemetery Caping, Import of Scotch Granite Monuments, etc. before purchasing elsewhere. Nothing but first-class stock and workmanship.

Corner Yates and Blanchard Sts.

## LEE & FRASER

REAL ESTATE AND INSURANCE AGENTS.

One lot on Queen's avenue, \$225.00. One lot on Princess avenue, \$225.00.

Money to loan at low rate of interest.

Agents for North American Life.

9 AND 11 TROUBAD AVENUE, VICTORIA, B. C.

## Money to Loan

On Approved Security. At Lowest Rates

HALL, GOEPEL & CO., 100 Government Street

Financial and insurance Agents.

## WE GUARANTEE

"White Horse Cellar"

SCOTCH WHISKY

10 Years Old.

W. A. WARD & CO.,

Sole Agents for B. C.

Victoria, B. C.

Same as Supplied to

Royalty in Every

Country.

A Scotch in Time May Save Nine, but a Bottle of

FOUR CROWN WHISKY

MAY SAVE YOUR LIFE.

Turner, Beeton & Co., Ltd.

SOLE AGENTS FOR BRITISH COLUMBIA.

Be in the Fashion and Send to Your Friends Abroad

## Souvenir

Postal Cards

WITH LOCAL VIEWS. WE CARRY A VARIETY OF OVER FORTY

DIFFERENT SUBJECTS TO SELECT FROM.

## T. N. Hibben & Co.

CITY AUCTION

MART 58 Broad St.

Wm. Jones

Domination Government Auctioneer.

Appraiser, Real Estate and Commission Agent.

Sales Every Tuesday

House Furniture bought outright for cash.

Residential Sales as Specialty.

Will fill appointments in city or country.

## Victoria Auction Mart

BROAD STREET (BETWEEN JOHNSON AND PANDORA).

Furniture and Household Effects purchased for cash. Consignments solicited, and goods sold at auction or privately on commission. Sales arranged for and conducted at private residences. Art Squares and Rugs for sale privately.

## Step Ladders

SEE THE "MASTER"

Made by F. Clark, 157 Douglas St., or at

R. G. Prior & Co.'s

## Do You Know Shorthand?

WHY NOT? IT PAYS.

We can teach you through correspondence. Write to us for rates.

THE VOCAL COMMERCIAL COLLEGE

VANCOUVER, B. C.

## For Sale

Eight roomed house on Esquimalt road,

bath room, hot and cold water, electric

light. Price only \$2,000.

Swinerton & Oddy,

102 GOVERNMENT STREET.

## CARPETS

CARPETS CARPETS

If you want your carpets cleaned and re-dyed promptly and satisfactorily before the spring rush commences, fine up

BROCK & O'NEILL,

Tel. 845. 52 Fort St.



## Positive Proof of Pinkham Cures

The wonderful power of Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound over the diseases of woman-kind is not because it is a stimulant,—not because it is a palliative, but simply because it is the most wonderful tonic and restorer ever discovered to act directly upon the whole uterine system, positively CURING disease and restoring health and vigor.

Marvelous cures are reported from all parts of the country by women who have been cured, trained nurses who have witnessed cures, and physicians who have recognized the virtue in Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound and are fair enough to give credit where it is due.

## One of Many Women Cured by Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound, Without Submitting to an Operation, Writes:—

"DEAR MRS. PINKHAM:—I was a great sufferer for three years, had some of the leading physicians, and they all said nothing but an operation would cure me, but to that I would not submit.

"I picked up a paper and saw your advertisement and made up my mind to try your medicine. I had falling and inflammation of the womb and a flow of whites all the time, pains across small of back, severe headache, did not know what it was to be without a pain or an ache until I used your medicine. After three months' use of it, I felt like a new woman. I still sound the praise of Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound."—Mrs. Wm. A. Cowan, 1804 Bainbridge St., Philadelphia, Pa.

## A Graduate Nurse, Convinced by Cures, Endorses Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound. She Writes:—

"DEAR MRS. PINKHAM:—Ministering to the sick I have had numerous chances to compare Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound with other medicines in cases of diseases of women, and the number of cures recorded where your medicine was used convinced me that it is the safest and surest medicine for a sick woman. Doctors certainly must know the value of Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound. I am convinced that you deserve the splendid record you have made.—Yours very truly, Mrs. CATHERINE JACKSON, 709 Beaubien St., Detroit, Mich." (Graduate Nurse and President Detroit Emergency Association.)

## Many Physicians Admit that no Medicine Known to the Profession Equals Lydia E. Pinkham's Compound for the Cure of Woman's Ills, and We are Permitted to Publish the Following:—

"DEAR MRS. PINKHAM:—It gives me great pleasure to state that I have found Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound very efficacious, and have often prescribed it for female difficulties.

"My oldest daughter found it very beneficial for uterine trouble some two years ago, and my youngest daughter is using it for female weakness, and as a tonic, and is slowly but surely gaining strength and health.

"I freely advocate it as a most reliable specific in all disorders which women are subject to, and give it honest endorsement.—Yours very truly, SARAH C. BRIGHAM, M.D., 4 Brigham Park, Fitchburg, Mass."

If physicians dared to be frank and open, hundreds of them would acknowledge that they constantly prescribe Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound in severe cases of female ill, as they know by experience that it can be relied upon to effect a cure.

Women who are troubled with painful or irregular menstruation, backache, bloating (or flatulence), leucorrhoea, falling, inflammation or ulceration of the uterus, ovarian troubles, that "bearing-down" feeling, dizziness, faintness, indigestion, nervous prostration or the blues, should take immediate action to ward off the serious consequences, and be restored to perfect health and strength by taking Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound, and then write to Mrs. Pinkham, Lynn, Mass., for further free advice. No living person has had such a vast and successful experience in treating female ill. She has guided thousands to health. Every suffering woman should ask for and follow her advice.

VICTORIA, B. C., SATURDAY FEBRUARY 28, 1903.

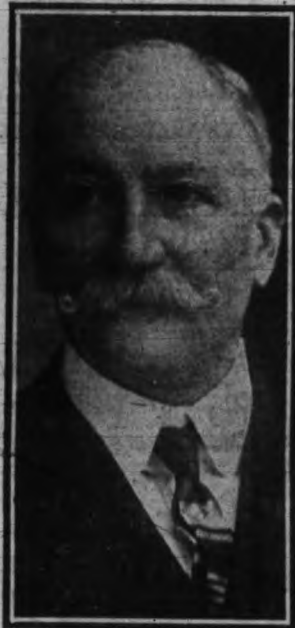
## The Mining Association of British Columbia.

**A**LTHOUGH fraught with the greatest of possibilities and giving promise of accomplishing much for the mining interests of the province, the Provincial Mining Association came into existence by the merest accident. To J. B. Hobson, manager of the Consolidated Cariboo Hydraulic Mining Company, is due the honor of having proposed the initial action which has resulted in bringing the organization to such a flourishing condition. An experience with a similar confederation of interests in the state of California had led him to propose the course he did. Those associated with him in the work, and the mining interests of the province in general, were fortunate indeed in having such a leader. His connection with the California society at its initiation and for succeeding years throughout its successful history taught him what to avoid and what to advocate in the new undertaking. His counsel has resulted in a long period of preparatory work having been spared the association, and perhaps disaster averted.



HON. E. G. PRIOR,  
Premier and Minister of Mines.

fluence the government and members of the legislature to introduce amendments to the mining laws of the province, prompted him to propose to some of the Atlin men, among those included were A. C. Hirschfeld, J. H. Brownlee, C. Christopher, L. H. Griffiths, R. D. Featherstonhaugh, J. T. Deeks, R. B. Skinner, J. M. Ruffner, H. W. Cameron, Superintendent Lorrain, M. Banning, James Stables, M.P.P., Fred Peters, K.C., A. L. Belyea, Col. J. McInnes. These all represented Atlin interests. With them Mr. Hobson and Mr. Stephenson, of Cariboo, met by invitation. Mr. Hobson was elected to the chair, and Mr. Stables, M.P.P., acted as secretary. Following up the conversation which had been held previous to the meeting, Mr. Hobson by request outlined the advantages to be derived from organizing along the lines of the California Association. He traced the history of that body and told what it had accomplished. The session was a short one. Those who knew anything of the work of the Californian organization at once supported the idea of a similar institution as the means for relieving much of the depression felt in the mining industry in



J. B. HOBSON,  
Cariboo,  
Provisional President.

district in the city of Victoria early in January gave rise to the association being formed. There was no premeditation in the matter, and it was purely by accident that the parties to it were brought together. Once started, the movement sprang up with the greatest rapidity. Conditions favored its growth and propagandists of its principles to various parts of the province were by the most favorable circumstances permitted to be present in the city at its inception.

The Atlin mine owners at the close of the season's work in their district had gathered together and in a most informal way discussed questions relating to their own welfare. Without reaching an exact conclusion on the matters under discussion it was resolved to assemble again in the city of Victoria about the middle of January to still further consider questions of mutual interest affecting the coming season's operations. With this object in view representatives of the principal interests of the Atlin came gathered together in the city. In doing so they little thought that they were to be but the nucleus out of which should be developed an institution provincial instead of local in its character, endorsed and supported by all classes instead of purely pertaining to mine owners.

J. B. Hobson happened to be in the city at the same time upon business connected with the company of which he is not only manager but also a deeply interested shareholder. A bliffer experience, extending over years, of attempts to in-



A. C. GALT,  
Provisional Executive.

the province. Others were attracted by it and a committee was at once appointed to draft a plan for organization. The committee consisted of J. B. Hobson, L. H. Griffiths, C. Christopher, R. B. Skinner, and R. D. Featherstonhaugh, and they were instructed to be ready to report to a meeting to be held the following afternoon.

The committee accordingly carried out their instructions. The Victoria Board of Trade welcomed the project and placed their rooms at the disposal of those interested in the question. The report of the committee was as follows:

Victoria, B. C., Jan. 30, 1903.  
Gentlemen:—Your committee, appointed for the purpose of suggesting plans for the formation of a Miners' Association, beg leave to recommend that a general call be issued to the mineral and placer miners and all others interested in the mineral industry throughout the province, and requesting them to organize local associations who will appoint delegates to meet in general convention to be held in Victoria on the 25th day of February next, and for the purpose of forming an association to be known as the Miners' Association of British Columbia, having headquarters in Victoria, with the object of improving the

conditions which now surround the mining industry of the province, and furthering the interests of the mine owners, miners and all other persons whose business is directly or indirectly affected by the prosperity of the mining industry of British Columbia.

We recommend that such district or local association include in their membership, not only all miners, mine owners, mine managers, mine foremen, but all merchants, bankers and professional men, and all persons who may be directly or indirectly interested in the mining industry.

That each district or local association shall be entitled to send one delegate for each twenty members, and any association whose membership is less than twenty shall be entitled to send one delegate to the general convention.

That such local and district associations shall issue to their delegates proper credentials, which shall entitle them to seats in the convention.

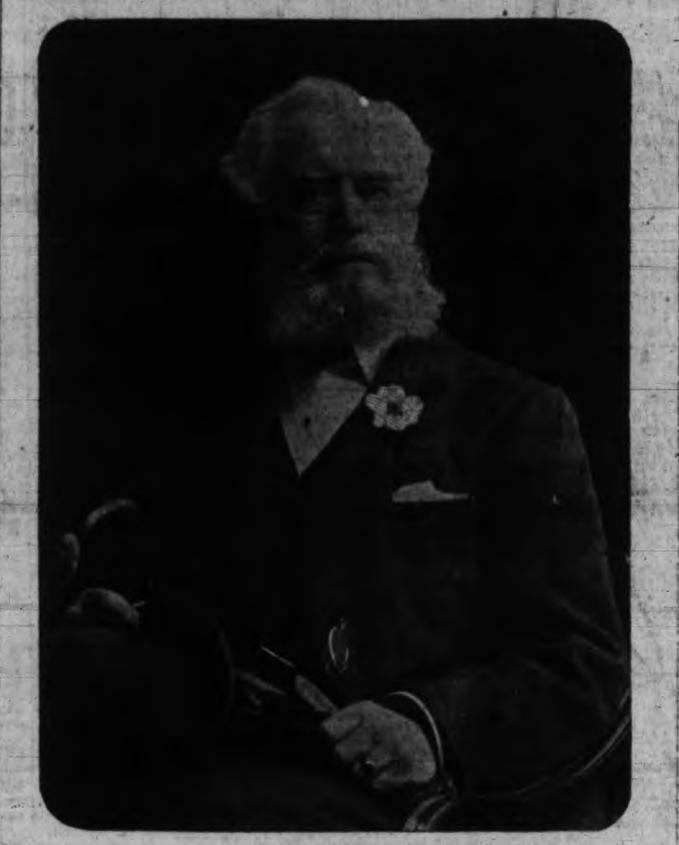
We further recommend that a committee of 15 be appointed at this meeting to draft preamble and resolutions, which, after approval, shall, together with a copy of the call for a general convention, be circulated through the mails and press to all persons interested either directly or indirectly in the mining industry of the province.

That the convention of officers shall supervise the circulation of the call for general convention and shall have the power to select and employ a competent secretary to carry out the instructions of the committee.

man (Princeton), Herbert Cuthbert, A. B. Fraser, Jr., Gus Hartnagel, C. H. Lugin, H. D. Humeke, K.C., M.P.P., Steve Jans, Lindley Crease, F. S. Barnard, A. C. Galt (Rosedale), Frank I. Clarke and Lowland Machin.

The report of the committee was enthusiastically endorsed. No dissenting voices were raised. All agreed that there was much to which such an organization might direct their energies. It was endorsed as a means for awakening an interest in the mineral resources of the province which would result in getting British Columbia in the position it was that it should occupy among the mining countries of the world. All agreed that the 6 points were here and that what was required was the enactment of legislation which would encourage the prospector, and the capitalist to enter. This it was urged would best prepare the way for the development of every other interest in the country. The farming, transportation and every other branch of business would experience a boom and the province would become an attractive home for every class of settlers.

In endorsing the scheme a committee



A. B. FRASER, SR.,  
(Victoria),  
Provisional Treasurer.

Your committee further recommend that a finance committee of five shall be selected at this meeting to solicit and provide funds to meet the expenses of circulating the call and pay the salary of secretary, stenographer and contingent expenses.

Respectfully submitted,  
J. B. HOBSON,  
R. D. FEATHERSTONHAUGH,  
C. CHRISTOPHER,  
R. B. SKINNER,  
L. H. GRIFFITHS.

By the most fortunate of circumstances several men, representative of interests directly affected by the association, chanced to be in the city at the time. Their sympathy and co-operation was at once enlisted and materially assisted in the spread of its influence. Consensus among these were S. Taylor, K.C., of Nelson, and A. C. Galt, K.C., of Rosedale.

The meeting was well attended and was strongly representative. Among those present were: W. M. Lorrain, representing the Pine Creek Power Co., Atlin; E. M. Baynon, Lower Spruce Creek; A. L. Belyea, Pine Creek Power Co., and Victoria; Leiser, Atlin; W. W. E. Cameron, British American Dredging Co., Atlin; J. M. Ruffner, Pine Creek Power Co. and the North Columbia Gold Mining Co. of Cincinnati; Atlin; R. B. Skinner, Atlin, and Willow Creek; Gold Mining Co., Ltd., Atlin; John T. Deeks, Eastern Leases on Pine Creek; Atlin; R. D. Featherstonhaugh, Atlin Mining Co., Ltd. (hydraulic); Nimrod Syndicate, Ltd. (quartz); Atlin; L. H. Griffiths, Pine Creek Power Co., Ltd., Atlin; J. McInnes, Star Exploring & Mining Co., Summit City, Hope Mountain; C. Christopher, hydraulic ground on McKee creek, of nearly 35 miles, besides quartz claims in Atlin district; A. C. Hirschfeld, Stevedyke Hydraulic Partnership, Atlin; J. H. Brownlee, Otter Creek Hydraulic Co., Ltd., Atlin; Fred Peters, Arctic Slope Mining Co., Omineca; A. Stuart Robertson, Arctic Slope Mining Co., Omineca; W. A. Stephenson, Cariboo; C. Dubois Mason, Societe Miniere de la Colombie Britannique, Boulder Creek, and The English Counties Hydraulic Syndicate, Wright Creek, Atlin; J. B. Hobson, Consolidated Hydraulic Cariboo Mining Co., Ltd., and Horsey Hydraulic Mining Co., Ltd., Cariboo; Capt. John Irving, West Coast of Vancouver Island free gold propositions; W. A. Dier, Mount Sicker & Brenton Mines, Ltd.; Hugh Grieve, Roberts-Kitchener Mines, Ltd.; W. J. Water-

was appointed to perfect the work of organization. It consisted of the following: J. B. Hobson, R. W. Featherstonhaugh, L. H. Griffiths, R. B. Skinner, A. C. Galt, Fred Peters, K.C., A. L. Belyea, H. Mortimer-Lamb, Frank S. Barnard, W. J. Waterman, H. D. Humeke, M.P.P.; Jas. Stables, M.P.P.; J. L. G. Abbott, Hon. Senator Jas. Reid, A. C. Fluimford and J. H. Brownlee.

A finance committee was appointed consisting of R. B. Skinner, L. H. Griffiths, A. C. Galt, Mr. Childs, and A. B. Fraser, sr.

In the evening an adjourned meeting was held when the following report was brought in by A. L. Belyea:

Gentlemen:—Your provisional executive committee, appointed yesterday for the purpose of drafting preamble and resolutions, together with a call for a general convention to be issued to all persons directly or indirectly interested in the promotion of the welfare of the mining industry in the province, beg to submit for your approval the following letter which it is proposed to send out through the mails on the lines suggested.

Your committee further recommend that a full report of the proceedings to date be printed and enclosed with the above letter, it is also proposed to address special letters to the mine managers and owners, the executives of the labor unions and associa-



J. B. ROBERTSON,  
Provisional Mineralogist.

tions, the mayors of corporations and boards of trade throughout the province.

A. L. BELYEA,  
Chairman.

The British Columbia Mining Association: Dear Sir:—The conditions surrounding the mining industry of British Columbia, have become so burdensome that mining operations have ceased to yield a profit to the province. The cause of this is the lack of capital and the lack of united organization. The mining industry is the support which it receives from the legislature of this province. All such efforts have heretofore failed, partly owing to the imperfect knowledge of our difficulties possessed by our legislators, and partly owing to the lack of united organization. The representative association of miners, mine-owners, merchants, bankers, farmers and professional men, and all other persons who may be directly or indirectly interested in the mining industry, by its means, we are enabled to secure relief for the industry and such favorable legislation as will restore confidence in foreign capitalists. If we can make our mining industry prosperous, every other industry in the province will naturally and necessarily share its wealth and prosperity. The present depression of nearly all such other industries is the natural and necessary result of the depression in mining.

The proposed association is not an anti-trust organization. It is a body of miners and mine-owners of California formed themselves hampered as we are now, a lot of unjust legislative enactments. A few individuals met together to discuss the situation and devise a remedy, and they started the California Miners' Association for the purpose. The idea was grasped immediately by the working miners, the mine-owners, the merchants, farmers and others, and the result was that within very short time the association succeeded in obtaining all the remedial legislation they required, and the mining industry of the state, increased by leaps and bounds, and brought prosperity to all other industries also. Fortunately we have in our midst a gentleman, Mr. J. B. Hobson, manager of the Consolidated Cariboo Hydraulic Mining Co., who was one of the originators of the California Miners' Association, and he will lend all the assistance he can to make a similar success of the British Columbia Miners' Association.

A preliminary meeting was held in Victoria on January 14th, when a committee

was appointed to draw up a report to be presented to a public meeting on the following day. On January 15th, a large and representative public meeting was held at the board of trade building in Victoria, attended by numbers of working miners, mine managers, merchants, members of the legislature, professional men and others, who realized that the welfare of the mining industry means the welfare of the province. The chairman, Mr. Hobson, explained fully the objects and aims of the new association. The greatest enthusiasm prevailed, and it was realized that at length a means had been found which would ensure an uplifting of the mining industry from its present depression to a position of prosperous expansion.

The meeting recognized that owing to the spontaneous nature of the new scheme, no opportunity had been afforded to secure co-operation of the people throughout the province, and it was decided to call a general convention to be held in Victoria on February 25th, when delegates from all districts would be able to attend and formulate a permanent organization.

Copies of the minutes of the meetings and of the committee's report, and the minutes of the meeting on January 15th, are enclosed, which will explain exactly what has been effected up to date.

All that remains to be done is to secure representative delegates from the various

JAS. STABLES, M. P. P.,  
Provisional Executive.

was appointed to draw up a report to be presented to a public meeting on the following day. On January 15th, a large and representative public meeting was held at the board of trade building in Victoria, attended by numbers of working miners, mine managers, merchants, members of the legislature, professional men and others, who realized that the welfare of the mining industry means the welfare of the province. The chairman, Mr. Hobson, explained fully the objects and aims of the new association. The greatest enthusiasm prevailed, and it was realized that at length a means had been found which would ensure an uplifting of the mining industry from its present depression to a position of prosperous expansion.

cities and districts of the province for the purpose of attending the convention at Victoria on February 25th.

The successful organization of the British Columbia Mining Association will ensure better conditions for the mining industry and thereby restore confidence in the abundant mineral resources of this province.

The first thing to be done in each city and district is to call a meeting as promptly as possible of all persons interested in mining, and especially of the practical working miners, mine-owners, merchants, farmers and others whose business prosperity is affected directly or indirectly by the prosperity of the mining industry, and get each man sign the membership roll. Each community is entitled to send one delegate for every 20 members, or one delegate in the case of a community of less than 20 members. The chairman of each meeting will promptly send in the names of all members to the secretary. The delegates' credentials will consist merely of a letter signed by the chairman and secretary of each local branch, certifying the number of members enrolled in the city or district, and the names of the delegates attending.

The constitution and by-laws of the new association will be settled at the convention on February 25th.

S. A.—Please regard this new association as one which concerns you personally, and to all in your power to make it a success, for its success means your own prosperity.

H. MORTIMER-LAMB,  
Provisional Secretary.

The report was adopted and after an enthusiastic meeting in which the most glowing tributes were paid to the province's undeveloped mineral wealth, the various members present dispersed to urge upon the scattered mining camps the advantages of the new organization. To carry out the objects intended was a stupendous task for the short space allotted to it. With the convention assembling on February 25th the time was



H. D. HUMEKE, K.C., M.P.P.,  
(Victoria),  
Provisional Executive.

very brief. No time was to be lost and the committee began at once to methodically carry on the work of organization. That this task was well accomplished is attested to in no better manner than by the representative character of the delegation which is in attendance at this week's convention.

SOME OF THE LEADERS.

J. B. Hobson.

J. B. Hobson, M. E., has become prominent in the province of late years through his efforts to have amendments introduced in the mining laws, which will tend to place the industry on a better basis and lead to the introduction of capital to develop its wealth. The failure to obtain what he has year after year pressed for before parliament is no small matter. He has organized the Mining Association formed in this province within the past few weeks.

Mr. Hobson is a born British subject, having first seen the light of day in Ireland in the year 1844. Leaving there in 1847, his parents came to New York and took up their residence. In 1857, he came West with his parents, and settled in California. Attracted as a young man by the search for gold, which was then being prosecuted at its height in that state, he entered into the mining business, and soon made his influence felt among the mining men of the West. For thirty-five years he followed his vocation as miner and mining engineer in California, being identified with both quartz and placer propositions, and passing through all the stages of that industry.

As mentioned before in the columns of the Times he was prominently identified with the inauguration of the Miners' Association of that state, and for several years was connected with the geological department of the California state mining bureau, an institution inaugurated by the state government and maintained largely through the influence of the Miners' Association.

His worth to the mining interests of the state of California is attested by his having been selected with Hon. Niles Searles, Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of California, and Hon. J. K. Luttrell, ex-member of congress, to wait upon the congress at Washington and urge upon that body the necessity for adopting legislation necessary to rehabilitate the hydraulic-mining industry of California, which had been inhibited by injunction of the courts. The efforts of this delegation were successful, and the Caminetti Act was passed as a result.

In 1892 Mr. Hobson left the United States and came to Canada to again take up his residence under the flag beneath which he was born. He was called



HON. FRED PETERS, K. C.,  
Provisional Executive.

to British Columbia for the purpose of exploring and ascertaining the value of Cariboo and the northern districts for hydraulic and deep gravel mining enterprises. Shortly after this the Consolidated Cariboo Hydraulic Mining Company, Limited, was organized, Mr. Hobson being one of the shareholders. Appointed its first manager, he has ever since filled that position. The Horsey Hydraulic Mining Company is also joined under the same management and ownership.

Mr. Hobson has very pronounced views respecting the latent mineral wealth of this province. He has shown a disposition to aid in developing it, and intends to remain in the province for the remainder of his life.

A. C. Galt.

Mr. A. C. Galt, another member of the executive committee, is the eldest son of the late Chief Justice Sir Thomas Galt, of Toronto. Mr. Galt is a graduate of Toronto University, and has been a resident of British Columbia for the last six years at Rosedale, where he practices his profession as a lawyer.

He is counsel and solicitor for the War Eagle, Centre Star, Velvet and other well known mining companies. During the last two or three years, Mr. Galt has expressed the strongest faith in the public discussion of matters affecting the mining industry, and particularly the burdens which have been imposed upon the industry by the legislature.

He maintains that the cumulative effect of these measures, added to the statute book year by year, has discouraged further investment and driven capital out of the province. Hence investors he claims fight shy of British Columbia, and it is almost impossible to procure money for the most promising prospects. At the same time Mr. Galt has always expressed the strongest faith in the annual fields of British Columbia, and in his opinion, remedial legislation would at once be followed by increasing prosperity throughout the province.

A. B. Fraser, Sr.

A. B. Fraser, sr., treasurer of the Mining Association, requires, no introduction to Victorians or the people of other climes. To the former he is known as the head of the well known hardware firm of Walter S. Fraser & Co., Ltd., while as to the latter, his name is familiar to the thousands whom this splendid organization has interested in the most beautiful city of the Pacific Northwest. Although identified with the commercial life of Victoria for only five years, a comparatively short space, Mr. Fraser has earned the respect and confidence of the community by his integrity, progressive business methods, and the energetic way in which he has supported all movements tending to the welfare of the city. His valued association with the Miners' Association is an evidence of the thorough way in which he leads his enterprise to worthy enterprises, and his efforts have been attended with gratifying success. Certainly the tributes that were tendered his able management of the finances of this association at the annual meeting voiced the prevailing



J. B. HUNTER, M. P.  
(Cariboo),  
Deleg.

H. MORTIMER-LAMB,  
Secretary Association.

**ESQUIMALI & VANAIMO RY. CO.**

**THROUGH TICKETS TO CROFTON**  
Via Westholme. Stage leaves daily, except Sunday, connecting with North and South-bound trains. Double stage service on Saturdays and Sundays, connecting with morning and afternoon trains. Fare from Victoria, 5/6; return, 10/6.

**THROUGH TICKETS VICTORIA TO ALBERNI**  
Stage leaves Nanaimo Tuesdays and Fridays on arrival of train from Victoria. Returning leaves Alberni Mondays and Thursdays. Fare from Victoria, 5/6; 30/0.

**Excursion Rates in effect to all points good Saturdays and Sundays.**  
A special rate in effect from Victoria to Shawagish. Lakes, tickets good on Saturdays and Sundays.

**CANADIAN  
PACIFIC**  
And Soo Pacific Line

**WORLD'S SCENIC ROUTE**

**LOWEST RATES. BEST SERVICE**

To all points in Canada and the United States

At Sitka, Alaska, FOR WHITE HORSE AND INTERMEDIATE POINTS.

The new line of stage coaches on the WINTER TRAIL makes possible continuous travel throughout the year to Dawson and other points.

For particulars apply to  
TRAVEL DEPT., WHITE PASS  
& YUKON ROUTE, Vancouver, B. C.

States. The finest and best equipped train crossing the continent.

**CHINA AND JAPAN SAILINGS.**

EMPRESS OF INDIA .....	MAR. 23
TARTAR .....	MAR. 30
EMPRESS OF JAPAN .....	APRIL 13

**CANADIAN-AUSTRALIAN SAILINGS.**

AORANGI .....	MAR. 6
MOANA .....	APRIL 5
MIOWERA .....	MAY 1

For full particulars as to time, rates, etc., apply to

**W. J. COYLE**

General Agent, Victoria, B. C.

**Atlantic Steamship Sailing**

St. John, N.

Pretorian-Allan Line ..... Feb.

Numidian-Allan Line ..... March

# Canadian Pacific

Yukon-Alaska Line	March
Parisian-Allan Line	March
Lake Champlain-Elder-Dempster	Feb.
Lake Ontario-Elder-Dempster	March
Lake Erie-Elder-Dempster	March
Lake Megantic-Elder-Dempster	March
	Boston, Ma.
Saxonia-Cunard Line	March
Uganda	March

## Navigation Co. Ltd.

Canada-Dominion Line	March
Merion-Dominion Line	March
	Half
Canada-Dominion Line	March
	New York
Etruria-Cunard Line	Feb
Campania-Cunard Line	March
Umbria-Cunard Line	March
Umbria-Cunard Line	March

Princess May, March 3rd, 11 p. m.	Cedric-White Star Line	March
To-Northern B. C. way ports, 1st and 15th of each month, 11 p. m.	Celtic-White Star Line	Feb
To Westminister, Tuesday and Friday, 7 a. m.	Oceanic-White Star Line	March
To Abouset, Bear River and way ports, 1st of each month, 11 p. m.	Germania-White Star Line	March
	Cedric-White Star Line	March
	Furumasa-Anchor Line	Feb
	Ethiopia-Anchor Line	March

To Cape Scott way ports, 10th and 20th of each month, 11 p. m.	Beggarly-Hamburg-American	March
To Quatsino, 10th of each month, 11 p. m.	Pennsylvania-Ham-American	March
To Quatsino and way ports, 10th and 20th of each month, 11 p. m.	Patricia-Hamburg-American	March
	Main-North German Lloyd	Feb
	Koenig-North German Lloyd	March
	Kaiser Wilhelm der Grosse-North German Lloyd	March
	St. Paul-American Line	Feb

W. J. W. TROUP, Manager, Victoria, B. C.  
E. J. COYLE, Assistant General Passenger  
Agent, Vancouver, B. C.  
H. H. ABBOTT, General Agent, Victoria.

---

**"The Milwaukee"**

**The Milwaukee**

A familiar name for the Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul Railway, known all over the Union as the Great Railway running the "Pioneer Limited" trains every

**PACIFIC COAST**

**FOR**

**South-Eastern**

**Alaska**

day and night between St. Paul and Chicago, and Omaha and Chicago. "The only perfect trains in the world." Understand: Connections are made with ALL Transcontinental Lines, assuring to passengers the best service known. Luxurious coaches, electric lights, steam heat, of a verity equalled by no other line.

See that your ticket reads via "The Milwaukee" when going to any point in the United States or Canada. All ticket agents sell them.

For rates, pamphlets or other information, address:

**J. W. GASEY,**  
Trav. Pass. Agent,  
H. S. BOWE,  
General Agent,

**For San Francisco**  
LEAVE VICTORIA, 8 P. M.  
LEAVE VICTORIA, 5 P. M.  
Queen, Feb. 8, 18, Mar. 5.  
Senator, Feb. 8, 23, Mar. 10.  
City of Puebla, Feb. 13, 28, Mar. 15.

PORTLAND, OREGON  
R. M. BOLD, Com'l Agt., Seattle, Wash.

Steamer leaves every fifth day there-  
Steamers connect at San Francisco  
Company's steamers for ports in Califor-  
Mexico and Humboldt Bay.

For further information obtain folder  
Right is reserved to change steamer  
sailing dates.

R. P. RITHEE & CO., Agents, 61 W

**Going East?**  
Then be sure your tickets read via the  
ST. VICTORIA, B. C.  
GEO. W. ANDREWS, North-Western  
Senior Agent.  
TICKET OFFICE, 113 James St., Seattle.  
O. W. MILLER, Genl. Agent, Ocean Line  
Seattle.  
SAN FRANCISCO TICKET OFFICE  
New Montgomery St.

**North-Western**  
**Line**

The only line now making UNION  
DEPOT connections at ST. PAUL  
and MINNEAPOLIS with all  
through trains from the Pacific  
Coast.

**THE SHORTEST LINE. THE**

THE GREAT  
 FINEST TRAINS, THE LOWEST  
 RATES, THE FASTEST TIME,  
 Between  
 MINNEAPOLIS, ST. PAUL, CHI-  
 CAGO, OMAHA, KANSAS CITY,  
 AND ALL THE GREAT EAST.

AND ALL POINTS EAST.

For complete information, ask  
your local agent, or write  
F. W. PARKER,  
General Agent,  
151 Yesler Way, Seattle.

Spokane Falls & Northern Ry  
Nelson & Ft. Sheppard Ry Co  
Red Mountain Ry Co.,  
Washington & C. N. Ry.

**50 YEARS' EXPERIENCE**

**PATENTS**

**TRADE MARKS  
DESIGNS  
COPYRIGHTS &C.**

Anyone sending a sketch and description of an invention will quickly ascertain our opinion free of charge. We will also make a confidential search of the patent literature for you. Write to: **Scientific American**, P. O. Box 979, New York, N. Y.

Patents taken through Munn & Co. receive special notice, without charge, in the

**Scientific American.**

Buffet cars run on trains between Kansas and Republic.

Effective Nov. 22, 1902.

Leave.	Arrive.	Spokane	Bozeman
9.25 a.m.	.....	Spokane	Bozeman
10.15 a.m.	.....	Bozeman	Spokane
7.00 a.m.	.....	Nelson	Spokane

A handsomely illustrated weekly. Largest circulation of any scientific journal. Terms, \$5 a year; four months, \$1. Sold by all newsdealers.

**MUNN & Co.** 361 Broadway, New York  
 Branch Office, 425 F St., Washington, D. C.

11.00 a.m. .... Grand Forks ..... 4  
 9.15 a.m. .... Republic ..... 5  
 H. A. JACKSON,  
 General Passenger Agent  
 Spokane, 1

\_\_\_\_\_

## CLUBS AND CLUBMEN--THE EXECUTIVE ON THE FRONTIER OF FAMINE LAND

The humors and eccentricities of the individual are perhaps more strikingly observable in a club than in any other gathering of people. The ways of particular members, their habits, tastes, foibles will be thrown up into strong relief where existence is congregated and life public. We may know little of a man's private affairs, what his income is exactly or even approximately, or how he earns it, what he does, indeed, "by daylight," the saying goes, whether he is married or has been, or separated, or lives maritimately, whether he owns a palatial mansion, or is satisfied with a modest bedroom in some shady corner of a clubland. But the manner in which he personally comports himself, his demeanor and conduct, his dress and appearance, the opinions he holds and proclaims, are matters of general knowledge, the better and more widely known the more strongly pronounced and peculiar. Many exhibit no more than the milder forms of eccentricity, quaint traits a little out of the common, but sufficiently marked to attract a good humored, but depreciatory criticism; "rum chap," we murmur pityingly, recognizing that the same may be said of ourselves, and that numbers are in the same boat. A few, however, are more distinctly "dotty"; palpably unseemingly men whose mental deficiencies amount to aberration of intellect and positive lunacy. Every club owns one or two members who might at any time be certified as insane if it was worth the trouble, or, indeed, requisite, so as to secure the general comfort and afford protection to the whole. As a rule, they are harmless, only now and again do they occasion serious inconvenience or become really dangerous.

A very marked and notable case is recorded in the tradition of one well-known club. A member who had been long out of sight reappeared, and had once been his favorite haunt, and without eliciting special comment, for men may come and men may go, but the club flows on for ever untroubled and unconcerned. He was hailed with the usual careless greeting, "Halloa! Not seen you lately," or some such casual remark, and he replied, "I was out of the club, but I am back now." Here the unfortunate member had only been laid by in a living tomb. He had been under restraint, from which he had succeeded in escaping, and had now come up-to London and walked straight to the club. While waiting for the lunch he forthwith ordered, he called loudly for a bowl of ice, and proceeded to pile the pieces upon the convex top of his bald crown, from which they rolled down continually on to his own and the neighboring tables. Meanwhile he gazed at the fiercely at the vases, and condemned them in wild, truculent terms; when at last he called for a carving-knife to eat his oysters with he had to find it for himself, as no one dared approach him. A special messenger was promptly dispatched to Scotland Yard, but the police inspector who came in answer to the summons declared that he was unable to act, for the troublesome member was actually in his own house, the club being at no intent and purposes his private residence. A hasty conference was held, a couple of magistrates and two doctors were sought out and invited to sign an order for removal to an asylum, but hesitated to take the responsibility, and the lunatic remained master of the situation. He had the coffee room to himself, and ranged it furiously, brandishing a carving-knife while the terrified servants stared at him from the doors. In the street, where he fell into the clutches of a keeper who had come in search of him.

Another club possessed a tamer and more inoffensive lunatic, whose craze was to walk perpetually up and down stairs. The moment he came in in the morning, and had put away his hat and umbrella, he started for the top floor, ascending with a set purposeful air, as though he had important business in the card-room or billiard-room or upper smoking-room, which he had perforce forgotten when he arrived, and striking his forehead with the absent-minded despair of a short memory, he would turn on his heel and run down again quickly. At the bottom it was a cap, a fresh journey upstairs joyously as who has caught a missing link, which once more eluded him from him on the higher levels, then came another fruitless descent, and so on, interminably. The installation of a lift was at first a sore trial to this inveterate climber, he continued to view it with profound distrust until with increasing intensity he discovered its value and then he became objectionable to his fellow members by his excessive use of it.

Extreme suspicion and unyielding distrust, not to say hatred, of certain persons and things characterized another club man. Once when enjoying the hospitality of another club at the cleaning and closing season he was seized with a rooted conviction that his umbrella had been deliberately stolen, and proceeded at once to take the law into his own hands. He brought a defective into the house where he was only a guest, and was making a systematic search of the racks and shelves when he was exposed to with, and his conduct all but caused strained relations between the two committees. He had two pet enemies, one his own committee and the other the Napoleonic dynasty. The first he denounced unsparringly on every occasion, and it so happened that the club had become possessed of certain relics associated with the first Napoleon, portraits, medallions, a fine piece of tapestry. This was an outrage, it was a patriotic, inexcusable that a London club should cherish any value to articles that had once belonged to the implacable foe of England. It was all the fault of the committee, and for this and other laches he continually sought to arraign and impeach it.

Many milder forms of eccentricity are to be met with. The man whose affection for his club is so keen that he would never willingly leave it, who is the first to enter it, and is on the doorstep before it opens, and who is the last to leave it, and does not object to pay the swinging fines imposed for remaining in it after the regular hours. He would like to elect himself, and often does, in that commonly accepted derogatory the

library, with its books and easy chairs, inviting to slumber. The methodical member, again, who lives by precise rule, who likes to sit at the same table, eat the same food day after day, who starts for his walking exercise at the same hour and walks exactly the same distance. He lights a cigar at the same hour, and when the clock strikes four, or as he may have settled it, turns homeward without fail. There is the economical eccentric who knows the club price by heart, and knows how to get in for the least money; he has solved to his own satisfaction all the intricate problems of prices, knows the exact value of half-portion, when he can escape the charge for table money, and what he can get out of it if he must pay, when he can expand "tea" into a substantial meal by the cunning addition of sandwiches and buttered toast. Another eccentric's life is centred in his dog, and can so little bear to be separated from him that he brings him to the club and chains him to the steps regardless of the protests of members unhappy about their heels. One form of eccentricity is the always recurrent objection to pay annual subscriptions until the last possible moment and even later, and until the usual pains and penalties are threatened, and it may be enforced, these defaulting members will neglect other lawful charges and allow their dinner and luncheon bills to fall into arrears, an intolerable practice in every well-ordered club. To defy unwritten rules of conduct and procedure commands itself to some who like to be thought original; they will wear their hats at table, and positively decline to dine in evening clothes, they love to talk in rooms where "silence" is ordained, and to smoke in halls and passages where it is not usually allowed. Fall Mall Gazette.

## WILLING TO BE TESTED.

We possess the most ample facilities for serving the public with pure, fresh Drugs, Toilet goods, Perfumes and all other lines usually found in a first class drug store. From business and professional standpoints, we are willing to be tested by a critical public.

## EXPERIENCE HAS PROVED

That Paine's Celery Compound has no equal for building up the weak and run-down, and for restoring vitality to sufferers from rheumatism, neuralgia and nervous prostration. Paine's Celery Compound stands far above all other medicine as a disease banisher.

Geo. Morrison & Co., druggists, 55 Government street, Victoria, B. C.

## PLACE FOR APPETITES.

London Truth has a word to say on the robust appetites of the female staff in charge of the Colchester Workhouse Infirmary. There are six of these, and their appetites are as good as those of a lion. Forty-two lbs. meat, 42 lbs. vegetables, 104 gins, bread, 4 lbs. loaf sugar, 4 lbs. butter, 6 lbs. cheese, 3 lbs. bacon, 6 lbs. jam, 13 eggs, 42 pints milk, 180 pints tea and coffee and 48 pints of beer.

This, says Truth, is only typical of the general dietary of the officers at this workhouse. Apparently the air of Colchester works wondrous effects on the appetite.

## WHEN YOUR PHYSICIAN

Writes out a prescription for any member of your family, it is important that this prescription should be accurately and well filled. Our long experience as dispensers, and our reputation for pure drugs, should induce you to place your trust in our hands.

PAIN'S CELERY COMPOUND surpasses all other medicine as a blood purifier and system cleanser. It gives grand and blessed results to the weak, run-down, nervous and ailing. Paine's Celery Compound banishes rheumatism and neuralgia; thousands of strong testimonials from cured people prove its worth. Buy your Paine's Celery Compound from us.

Davies Bros., druggists, 30 and 32 Government street, Victoria, B. C.

## THE SOMALI AS A SOLDIER.

It is perhaps a little unfair, says an English writer, upon the Somali levies to take their present ill-disciplined condition as an illustration of their worth. At the moment it would puzzle Providence to explain their precise utility. They are ravaged by sickness and disease, they are ill-kempt and they have been underfed, and it is hardly to be expected that they can reveal those qualities so desirable in soldiers, hence the loss. They have been under trial some two years. The Arab proverb upon the Somalis is an apt one. They state that Allah smiled when he made Somaliland, but he burst out laughing when he made the Somalis.

As hunters after big game the Somalis are, I suppose, without their equal; they are fearless, and they attack lions, leopards and other beasts of the bush with impunity. Many sportsmen, when shooting in Somaliland, have owed their lives to the gallantry of their Somali hunters; upon occasion a Somali has sacrificed his own life to save the European with whom he was hunting. More no man can do, of course, yet in spite of their inferior quality in their character, they do not make good soldiers.

They are excitable and, in losing their heads, they fire wildly, while they are apt to run. To fashion a soldier man from a Somali we must clothe and feed him, eliminate his unlimited conceit, knock his own opinion of himself out of him, and instill in his mind the qualities of obedience and cleanliness. Above all, he must be treated with sternness, and if we wish to raise a battalion of Somalis who are capable of taking the field in defence of Somaliland, as do the troops of other protectorates upon behalf of the mother country, the men must be removed from the influence of their villages to a different station until the work has been completed.

A quarter of a ton of steel is worn off the rails on the London & Northwestern railway daily.

In Paris one person in eighteen lives on charity.

Hietaniemi, North Sweden, Jan. 10.—Sixty-five miles northeast of Lulea, by a bog line to the Tornea river and the Finnish borderland, one approaches the heart of the famine-blighted Norrland. Civilization in the form of a railway breaks off abruptly at Morjary, almost midway to the frontier, and travel through the rest of northeast Sweden becomes a question of horse-sledge driving, isolated farmhouse resting stations and primitive yet comfortable "huts" at spots which have reached the dignity of places on the map. Hietaniemi boasts of some forty scattered farmhouses, a church, a postoffice with telephone service and the cozy inn of "Gastgivar." (hospitality given) Ero, a big, blonde northerner who might be the twin brother of Baron Nordenskiöld.

First Glimpse of Famine.

Tangible evidence that distress was near awaited us when our sledge, driven by Ero himself, eight hours from Morjary, pulled up at Hietaniemi. Grouped around the kitchen door of the inn stood a dozen or fifteen shivering men, women and children pitifully ill-clad, none of the men with an overcoat, and most of the women in men's jeans and undercoats, made to do service with rope girdles as the upper section of a dress. The boys and girls shivered with cold against the grooved poles, calico affording scant protection from the twenty-five below zero blasts then sweeping the desolate hamlet. "Our usual crowd of daily supplicants for crumbs and cast-off meat bones," blurted Ero, ushering into his warm kitchen the miserable people who were awaiting his return.

They proved a fair collection of the peasant folk whom food and frost have beggared—ordinarily prosperous farmers, now content with a diet of sour milk and Swedish hardtack, with such luxuries as table linings from innkeepers and other less unfortunate neighbors. Each of the wretched crew, I was told, represented a family of six to ten persons and had trudged in some cases through the snow from log huts forty and fifty miles away—a tedious trip of twenty to thirty-six hours on "skins" through timber and morasses.

Local Pastor's Story.

"Conditions hereabouts," so Pastor Johann Nymann, head of the Hietaniemi relief district, said this afternoon, "have become again acutely desperate because the central famine committee's supplies in spots remote from the railway are completely exhausted. Our parishioners have been compelled to subsist since November 1st upon two and a half sacks of rye meal and such sustenance as could be coaxed from famishing cows themselves reduced to the scantiest allowance of hay and bran. Bread supplies have thus vanished entirely and our people's fodder has been scraped an inch lower, hope of food from beasts diminishing in the same ratio."

"This brings these people," continued Pastor Nymann, "to the verge of actual starvation and they must remain till our overtaxed relief fund is replenished, or beg from door to door. They are adopting the latter course as an awful alternative to the fate prolonged hunger brings, sooner or later. Only their cattle stand between them and such an end. Many families are hunger-gnawed enough to kill their cattle for meat, and it requires our most earnest persuasion to induce them to refrain from doing so until new supplies come up from the south."

"We who are face to face with this misery, who are taxed for mental as well as for physical resources to stem the wave, can find no language strong enough to condemn the heartless allegations that conditions in the Norrland have been 'grossly exaggerated.' Such statements are downright lies. The conditions cannot be overestimated. They cannot, indeed, except by the cynicism, be reasonably approached. Belittlement of our wretchedness is inspired by coarse, unfeeling commercialism, by labor givers who would fatten already comfortable fortunes at the expense of destitution among the workers whose toll has been cheapened by hunger."

Typical Case of Distress.

The pastor directed us a few hundred yards away from his cozy wooden home high up on the banks of the Tornea to a few "huts" typical of the distress he had just so earnestly and so bitterly described. In the middle of a barren stretch of stunted pine trees we stopped before a log hut perhaps 7x10 feet in dimensions, a lay streak of smoke from the crumbling chimney contradicting the impression that no such human habitation was a human habitation. Entering we found ourselves in a room musty with the odor generated by a combination of cooking, living and sleeping. The pinched, blue figure of a mother "curbed" in the fashion peculiar to Swedish women and her eyes filled with tears as we dropped a silver coin in her palm, the first she had seen for two months.

Her family numbered eight, including the father. The oldest of her "barn" was 13; the youngest a babe in the cradle, who had come to brighten up the household only five months ago, just before famine time. The mother pointed to a row of six or eight circular rye-cake cakes, hung along the log ceiling, and a

bottle of sickly-colored sour milk, when we ventured to inquire the state of the family, I tapped one of the "cakes" with my finger, and it fell to the floor with the thud of a stone lid. The family, so questions developed, owned a tract of cultivated land big enough in normal years to rear barley, rye and fodder sufficient to keep seven people and four cattle, and a mile of a surplus exchangeable for tea, coffee, salt and sugar. The floods and frosts of last autumn had wiped these resources away with sorry completeness, and ever since the family had been, like thousands of others, the recipient of famine relief.

The physical condition of the children was distressing. The two oldest—girls of 11 and 13—were suffering from aggravated colds and hacking coughs, the result of daily walks of four miles to school in calico dresses and handkerchiefs for hats. Like their mother, they had no underclothing, rolling up their trousers to serve as breeches. More utter destitution in a climate only thirty miles below the Arctic circle would be disagreeable to contemplate.

Four Hours of Daylight.

We proceeded another 500 yards to the north, to the abode of a farmer whose normal condition is not so near abject poverty as the home just visited. A large-sized room, though it served as a residence for a family of seven, gave evidence of comparative prosperity, with its big, clean stove and generally neat ensemble. But this family, too, was reduced to the general condition—complete dependence on relief. The paterfamilias, in this, poorly patched jeans, was a splendid type of the Norrlander, though hunger and misery had scathed his face with signs of premature age. The mother wore a skirt made of a rough horse blanket. This family had already resorted to the necessity of killing one or two of their cherished cattle early in the famine before relief began to come.

The Norrlander's four hours of daylight—from 10 till 2—were fast ebbing into darkness, and "Gastgivar" Ero suggested turning our sledge inward, unless we cared to visit other "homes" in complete gloom. "Many of them," he explained, "have seen neither matches nor candles for weeks, and when the sun sinks their lights are out till it rises again." That was a fitting bit of information to add to the story of suffering we had watched since morning, and we hurried to continue our journey northward.—Chicago News.

## GOOD NEWS FOR MEN.

A Simple Home Treatment Which Never Fails to Restore Full Strength and Vigor of Youth.

SENT FREE TO ALL.



AMERICA'S GREATEST SPECIALIST.

There is no longer any need for men to suffer from lost vitality, backache, kidney trouble, nervous debility, varicose veins, etc. When it can be cured almost like magic in the privacy of your own home by a simple remedy which any man can use. Simply send your name and address to the Dr. Knapp Medical Co., 1828 Hull Building, Detroit, Mich. U. S. A., and they will gladly send you the Doctor's full prescription free and everything necessary for a quick and lasting cure.

The following taken from their daily mail shows what men say who have taken advantage of this grand free offer.

"Dear Sir:—Please accept my sincere thanks for yours of recent date. I have given your treatment a thorough test and the benefit has been extraordinary. It has completely braced me up and you cannot realize how happy I am."

"Dear Sir:—Your method worked beautifully. Results were exactly what I needed."

"Dear Sir:—Yours was received and I have trouble in making use of the receipt as directed, and can truthfully say it is a boon to men."

Don't stop and wonder how they can afford to do all this, but send to-day; the offer is genuine, and the prescription will be sent by return mail in a perfectly plain envelope absolutely free just as stated. Write to-day and soon you'll be happy."

The cost of railway construction has of late years diminished in France and increased in Great Britain.

MANLY STRENGTH AND WOMANLY BEAUTY depend on purity of the blood, and much of that purity depends on perfect kidney action. If the kidneys are diseased and will not perform their functions, man will seek in vain for strength and woman for beauty. South American Kidney Cure drives out all impurities through the body's "filters"—repairs weak spots. Sold by Jackson & Co. and Hall & Co.—45.

Are an invaluable remedy for all diseases and disorders arising from Weak Heart, Worn Out Nerves or Watery Blood.

They are a true heart tonic, nerve food and blood enricher, building up and renewing all the worn out and wasted tissues of the body and restoring perfect health to those who are troubled with Nervousness, Sleeplessness, Nervous Prostration, Brain Fog, Faint and Dizzy Spells, Listlessness, Palpitation of the Heart, Anemia, General Debility, After Effects of La Grippe and all troubles arising from a run down system.

MILBURN'S HEART AND NERVE PILLS

are 50c. per box or 3 boxes for \$1.25 at all druggists, or will be sent on receipt of price by

The T. MILBURN CO., Limited, Toronto, Ont.

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF CHARLES BEDFORD HARRISON, LATE OF ATLIN, IN THE PROVINCE OF BRITISH COLUMBIA, DECEASED, INTERSTATE.

All creditors having claims against the above estate are requested to send same to Mrs. Phoebe Grant Harrison, 23 Second Street, Victoria, B. C., who is under signed, on or before the third day of March, 1903, with full particulars thereof, and the nature of any securities, if any, held by them.

And further take notice that after such date the Administratrix will proceed to distribute the assets of the said deceased among the parties entitled thereto, having regard only to the claims of which she shall then have notice, and that she will not be liable for the said assets or any part thereof to any person or persons whose claims notice shall not have been received by her at the time of such distribution.

Dated at Victoria, B. C., this 31st day of January, 1903.

FELL & GREGORY,

Board of Trade Building, Victoria,

Solicitors for the Administratrix.

NOTICE.

Take notice that application will be made to the next sitting of the Board of Licensing Commissioners for the City of Victoria for a transfer of the license to sell wines, spirits and fermented liquors by retail at the St. George's Hotel, Esplanade, Victoria, from myself to Thomas Griffiths.

Dated the 6th day of February, 1903.

HUGH SIMPSON.

NOTICE.

Notice is hereby given that I intend to apply to the Licensing Board at its next sitting for a transfer of my license for the sale of wine and liquors by retail upon the premises, the "Manhattan" Saloon, corner of Yates and Broad streets, to Fred. Carne, the younger, or alternatively, that instead of such retail license there may be granted to the said Fred. Carne, the younger, as our transferee, a license pursuant to sub-section 3, section 171, Chap. 14.

Dated this 27th day of January, 1903.

ANDREW RUSTA.

NOTICE.

All mineral rights are reserved by the Esquimalt & Nanaimo Railway Company within that tract of land bounded on the south by the south boundary of Comox District, the east by the Straits of Georgia, on the north by the 50th parallel and on the west by the boundary of the E. & N. Railway Grant.

LEONARD H. ROLLY,

Land Commissioner.

NOTICE.

Notice is hereby given that I, A. H. Tyson, as licensee, and I, William Harrison, as holder of temporary permit, intend to apply to the Board of Licensing Commissioners at their next sitting as a Licensing Board, for the transfer of my license for the sale of wine and liquors by retail upon the premises, the "Manhattan" Saloon, corner of Yates and Broad streets, to Fred. Carne, the younger, or alternatively, that instead of such retail license there may be granted to the said Fred. Carne, the younger, as our transferee, a license pursuant to sub-section 3, section 171, Chap. 14.

Dated this 7th day of February, 1903.

(Signed) A. H. TYSON.

(Signed) WILLIAM HARRISON.

NOTICE.

Notice is hereby given that 20 days after date I intend to apply to the Hon. Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works for a lease of timber lands, described as follows: Starting at a post 1/2 mile to S. of mouth of the Satchie River (which empties into Skeena Lake, the head of Skeena River, about 1/2 mile S. of the mouth of the Satchie River, and following the hills in about an E. direction for about 3 1/2 miles, thence crossing the S. N. and following the Valley and following the hills in about W. direction until reaching Skeena Lake at a point about 1/2 mile S. of the mouth of the Satchie River, thence to the point of commencement, including the whole of the Satchie Valley, being an area of 2,000 acres more or less.

G. R. TALBOT.

Dated this 30th day of January, 1903.

"LAND REGISTRY ACT."

In the Matter of an Application for Duplicates of the Certificates of Title to Lots Four, Six (6) and Forty-Nine (49) of Section Eight (8) and Ten (10), Beekley Farm (Map 237), Victoria City.

Notice is hereby given that it is my intention at the expiration of one month from the first publication hereof to issue Duplicates of the Certificates of Title to the above lands, issued to Henry Smith on the 20th day of January and 19th day of February, 1901, and numbered 11043a and 11220a respectively.

S. Y. WOOTTON,

Registrar-General.

Land Registry Office, Victoria, B.C.,

3rd February, 1903.

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF

BRITISH COLUMBIA.

In the Matter of the Lepora Mount Nickel Copper Mining Company, Limited, Non-Resident Liquidator, and in the Matter of the Winding Up Act and Amending Acts.

The Honorable Mr. Justice Irving has by an order dated the 15th day of December, A. D. 1902, appointed John Samuel Irving, of the City of Victoria, to be the official liquidator of the above named Company.

Dated the 18th day of December, A. D. 1902.

B. H. TYRWHITT DRAKE,

Registrar.

NOTICE.

Notice is hereby given that thirty days from this date I intend to make application to the Honorable the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works for permission to lease the following foreshore and tidal lands and territorial water rights for fishing purposes, viz.: Commencing at a post planted at high water mark on the shore at the fronting section (7) seven, Otter District, thence following the shore line in a south westerly direction two thousand eight hundred and seventy-six feet more or less, having a square frontage of one-half mile.

ARTHUR HENWARD FLOYER,

Noting Agent, 3rd February, 1903.

NOTICE.

Notice is hereby given that thirty days from this date I intend to make application to the Honorable the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works for permission to lease the following foreshore and tidal lands and territorial water rights, for fishing purposes, viz.: Commencing at a post planted at high water mark on the shore at the southwest corner of Section seventy-eight (78), Renfrew District, thence following the shore line in a westerly direction two thousand six hundred and forty feet, having a frontage of one-half mile on said Section 77.

ANDREW GREFFY.

Dated this 21st day of February, 1903.

NOTICE.

Notice is hereby given that thirty days from this date I intend to make application to the Honorable the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works for permission to lease the following foreshore and tidal lands and territorial water rights, for fishing purposes, viz.: Commencing at a post planted at high water mark on the shore at the southeast corner of Section seventy-seven (77), Renfrew District, thence following the shore line in a westerly direction two thousand six hundred and forty feet, having a frontage of one-half mile on said Section 77.

H. CLYNE.

Dated this 21st day of February, 1903.

## Northwestern Smelting &amp; Refining Co.

Buyers of

GOLD, SILVER AND COPPER ORES, MATTES, BULLION, FURNACE AND CYANIDE PRODUCTS.

Location of Works:

Crofton, Vancouver Island, B. C.

## Hey There!

— You fellow using Electric Light —

H Y L O

Saves 5-6th of light bill when turned down.

The Hinton Electric Co., Ltd.,

62 Government Street

C.C. Russell

Wholesale Supply Stores, Douglas Street,

MANUFACTURERS OF

Ladies' Dress Skirts and Costumes.

SPECIAL SALE OF

LADIES' COSTUMES, \$5.00

New Material For Pillows, Zephyr Gingham, Halifax Tweeds and English Corduroys.

You Can Not Reach Readers of

THE TIMES

Through Any Other Daily Publication.

THE EVENING TIMES, VICTORIA, B.C.

NOW IS THE TIME TO Paint Your House

We have on hand a full line of Paints, Oils, Lead and Varnish. Call and get prices.

NICHOLLES & RENOUE, LTD., Corner Yates and Broad Sts., Victoria, B. C.

## ROSEBERY'S INDICTMENT OF THE CABINET

Lord Rosebery speaking at Plymouth recently delivered a scathing criticism of what he termed the inefficiency of the cabinet. He spoke in part as follows:

I come here to Plymouth to-night with rather mixed feelings. I do not mean on account of the climate (laughter) but if your external gales represent in any way your political feeling, you must be quite ready for a general election. (Laughter and "hear, hear.") No, that is not what I meant. It is a great happiness to have so cordial a reception as you have given me; but I have spent the past week in an atmosphere so remote from politics, so full of mutual affection and good will, in the North—(cheers)—that it is with reluctance that I find myself once more in the arena of political criticism, if not political contention, and I may add a private domestic grievance, which I can only, so to speak, whisper in your ear—which is, that I have left in London all the notes and all the materials of my speech. (Laughter.) I observe that you receive that announcement without any great emotion of sorrow, and I am not surprised at it—(laughter)—because I am ashamed to say that I have often feared that part of a concession which would not have been materially distressed had the preacher announced at the end of the service that he had left his sermon at home. (More laughter.) Well, we must scramble on as best we may. When we come to harrow down to single issues of the day, some questions before the country at this moment they resolve themselves mainly into this—"Can you have confidence in His Majesty's government?" ("No.") There are, of course, a vast number of people—Liberals by breeding and conviction, and I gather that there are many of them here—who, under no circumstances, can have any confidence in a Tory government, just as there are a vast number of Tories—Tories by breeding and conviction—who, under no circumstances, could have any confidence in a Liberal government. But there are also a vast number of people who are not violently in love with either party, and who are not definitely connected with either party, who would gladly, in the present stress and conjuncture of affairs in the world, support a wise and strong government, judicious and efficient government, to whatever party it might belong. (Hear, hear.) I for my part would gladly support His Majesty's government if it gave me an opportunity of doing so. (Laughter and cheers.) But I am sorry to say that, so far as the outward signs of efficiency are concerned, so far as occasional revelations are given—after all, the great work of administration in this country is largely carried on behind a screen—so far as the occasional revelations are given of their fitness to carry on the public work of the country, it does not inspire me personally with any confidence. (Cheers.) I am far from denying that they have capable and able men amongst them; I am far from denying that they are capable of doing good work in some departments.

## Mr. Chamberlain's Mission.

Now, I take the mission of Mr. Chamberlain to South Africa. That is a mission which is in no degree a party mission. (Hear, hear.) It is in no degree a matter of confidence in this government. It is an imperial mission, and as such it must have the good wishes of every patriot—(cheers)—to whatever party he may belong, and whatever judgement of Mr. Chamberlain's character is may have previously formed. That, I say, is a matter which is outside and beyond party. I take another case. I take the case of the memorandum recently issued by the First Lord of the Admiralty with regard to the three branches of the naval service. I am wholly incompetent, being in no degree an expert, to judge that memorandum as regards its adaptability and practicality, but I heartily welcome it because it is large, simple, bold, and free from the maddening intricacies of red tape. (Cheers.) I dare say there may, and will be, difficulties in working it. As to that I can say nothing. I see that much is left to be carefully considered in future. In fact, the word "carefully" occurs very frequently in that memorandum. But at any rate it is a brave and honest endeavor to put the service on a right footing, and I am glad to see that the opinion of naval experts, so far as I have been able to gather it from the press, is in favor of these reforms, even though I cannot help suspecting that the Admiralty itself has not been above the process of writing to the papers under an assumed name, on behalf of its own memorandum. (Laughter and cheers.) If my suspicion is groundless, I heartily apologize; but, in any case, it does not greatly matter one way or the other. But I am glad to see that the Admiralty is not tied by embarrassing traditions, that it is striking out a new and bold line of reform; I wish it hearty success, and I give Lord Selborne every credit for his endeavor. (Cheers.) Well, but, gentlemen, I suppose you think that if I am going on in this strain I might as well be addressing a meeting of a Constitutional Association. I am happy to reassure you. The fountain of my sympathies with the government dry up at this point. (Laughter and cheers.)

## Government Inefficiency.

I am always happy, and shall always be happy, to give credit where I think credit is due. (Cheers.) But, on the other hand, if I am to speak honestly—and I think a public man is no use unless he speaks honestly—I cannot withhold censure where I believe censure to be due. Now we have, I say, only occasional indications of what the real efficiency of the government is in matters of administration. In matters of legislation, of course, all is before parliament, and, therefore, I am only able to give you one or two examples of what I mean when I say that the government in its administration does not earn our confidence as an efficient government. I will take what may seem to some of you a small instance, but it is a straw that shows the wind. His Majesty the King has been advised by the Prime Minister to send the Order of the Garter to the Shah of Persia. That, you may think, is not a matter of very great moment one way or the other, but it is a curious illustration of the methods of the govern-

ment. In the month of August, I think it was, we had the Shah of Persia on a visit to our shores. If it was wished by the government to give him the Garter then was the obvious moment, but that was too simple and too economical for our government. (Laughter and cheers.) They wait until they are sure that he is safely ensconced in his own dominions, and then they send a large and costly mission some thousands of miles across Europe into the heart of Asia in order to do what they might have done in the month of August. (Cheers.) In itself the mission is perhaps a little absurd. They are to convey this present to the Shah—a Mahomedan potentate, who, by his religion, abhors Christianity, and considers all Christians dogs—(laughter)—and he is to give it to him as a signal that he is ready to shed his blood and undergo any sacrifice on behalf of the Christian religion. (Laughter.) That, however, is a matter which may be left to take care of itself. I suppose that our government has got some considerable equivalent from this remarkable mission. The Shah was believed by many to have fallen under influences extremely hostile to Great Britain. But I suppose we may be inspired to hope from this mission either that he has promised to free himself from those influences or that he has made some political concession to this country which may be some equivalent for what we are doing on his behalf.

## An Unexplained Transaction.

At any rate, it is one of those unexplained transactions of the government, from the point of view of the taxpayer, throws a lurid light on its administration, and explains to some extent the enormous expenditure under which we are groaning at the present moment. (Hear, hear.)

Since the Liberal government fell in 1885 there have been two Royal warrants dealing with the relations of the secretary of state and the commander-in-chief, both passed by the present government. They were both admirably perfect in their conception and their execution. At least so we are informed. The first warrant made the relations of the commander-in-chief and the secretary of state exactly what those relations should be. We are told they were perfect, absolutely unimprovable. But it was determined to paint the lily, and so they issued a second warrant, which made the relations of the commander-in-chief and the secretary of state even more ideal than they were before. They to a large extent reversed the provisions of the first warrant, and indeed you are given a homely illustration of the excellence of those relations, for we were told that there was a room, if I remember right, which intervened between the room of the secretary of state and the room of the commander-in-chief, the carpet of which was almost worn out by the incessant anxiety of the commander-in-chief to communicate directly with the secretary of state, and the secretary of state to shake the hand of the commander-in-chief. (Much laughter.) Well, we all believed this, and we had a rude awakening.

Now, I am not blaming Mr. Brodrick. I am not attacking Mr. Brodrick. I believe him to be a capable, honest, and industrious public servant. But I am inclined to think that there is something inherent in the war office that wants clearing out. (Loud cheers.) I dare say you have seen in the London papers a discussion which is going on about St. Bartholomew's hospital. St. Bartholomew's hospital is an ancient hospital which wants to enlarge its boundaries, of course at the expense of the public, and as against this contention there is some opposition, because experts say that when a hospital building attains a certain age it becomes so full of microbes, which inevitably bring disease and which cannot be cleared out, that it is much better to pull down the hospital and build a new one. (Much laughter and cheering.) I think you take the application. (Renewed cheers and laughter.) I begin to fear that the war office is so permanently infected with some bacillus which appears to conflict, at any rate, with good administration that it requires an heroic remedy. (Cheers.) We are fortunate in this country. We have arrived at a crisis where the experience of South Africa tells us that we require a great re-modelling of our military institutions—(cheers)—not merely of our military services, but of our military administration. We have also learnt that the army we have got—bravely as it has fought—is not the exact army that we want for our imperial purposes, and that we have not got the reserves that we need for our home defence.

## The Needed Hercules.

More especially in view of the current unpopularity of Europe I say that we are fortunate, because many countries have had such crises, but few countries have had the man, the Hercules, to deal with them. We have that man in Lord Kitchener. (Cheers.) But if you send your Hercules to the Himalayas he cannot be of much use in Pall Mall. (Cheers.) Now, gentlemen, it is about two months ago that I publicly stated that, in my judgment, it was the duty of the government to give Lord Kitchener large and almost dictatorial powers, to appoint him secretary of state if need be, so that he might have a free hand in dealing with army administration. (Cheers.) He is a man of genius, a man of vigor, a man of experience—a man of large grasp of administration, and a man who has the complete confidence of the army and of the country. I am not in favor of habitually having a military secretary of state, but you have a great juncture and a great crisis. When you have a great reform to carry out, and when you have a great many at hand to do it, for God's sake drop precedent for a moment and come to business. (Prolonged cheers.)

## Questions of Foreign Policy.

Now I pass from these topics to another which is suggested by the pending election in Liverpool. A Peer is not allowed to intervene in a pending election, and I should be the last to wish to interfere on such an occasion, but I see that the Conservative candidate, according to a paragraph in "The Times," I think, has been making a very effective contrast between the foreign policy

of the Conservative government and the foreign policy of the late Liberal government, very much, of course, to the advantage of the former. Now, I have not had the opportunity of perusing his remarks. I should very much like to do so. But I will give him one or two topics for his next speech—I will invite him to examine very carefully the whole course of our foreign policy in China, step by step if he can follow it—(laughter)—and I think he will have some matter for reflection before he has done with it. In the next place, I see that he has spoken with strong approbation, valued the London newspapers are misinformed, of the action of the government in Venezuela. I will give him a topic to examine in connection with that. The late Liberal government had exactly the same thing to do as the government is now doing in Venezuela. It is a process of debt collecting, to call it by its name, and we had to do in Nicaragua what is now being done in Venezuela. What was our course? We consulted with the United States—(cheers)—because the United States is sensitive about the incursions of European powers into America. We consulted with the United States, and then went in alone and dealt with Nicaragua. Well, that business was over in a couple of days. (Cheers.) Now the government has taken a very different course. I am not here to-night to touch on that quite correct aspect of the case, or of the question of the German alliance which has been entered into. I do not know the facts, and without knowing the facts it would be unwise in one who has twice been at the foreign office to speak hastily or at random. Of one thing I feel quite certain, that the government has consulted with the United States, and did so before it took any action, and it must have had imperious motives in entering into the alliance with Germany, because I think—apart from all other considerations which are familiar to you through the press, and which I do not mean to touch on—what is unwise when you are in this process of debt collecting from the South American Republic to engage yourself with any other power. It is unwise because you do not know the extent of your liability. In this case we have, it appears, agreed to go on just as long as the other wishes to go on.

## The Question for the Country.

I myself strongly deprecate the laying down of a policy when you are not in a position to carry it out. (Hear, hear.) The question before the country is, in my mind, at the beginning of my speech, is the confidence of the country due to the present administration? ("No.") There is no question at this moment of the opposition—which is numerically weak in parliament, and is in no course of condition to advance an alternative policy. Its duty, as I hold it, at this moment, is to contest the claim of the government to the confidence of the country. (Cheers.) That they can only do by rubbing in constantly those facts which strikes deep at the confidence which the government seeks to claim. Confidence is a plant not of the present or of the future. It has its roots deep in the past. When you seek to entrust your affairs to a lawyer you endeavor to find out what his past has been. (Laughter.) When you trust your money to a banker you don't entrust it to one who has more than once gone into liquidation, but you find out what his past record is. You give your confidence to him accordingly. Even to go to a lower sphere, if you engage a servant to look after your plate, and he comes to you and says, "Don't let us deal with the past. I am just out of prison on a ticket of leave." (Laughter.) Let bygones be bygones. Hand me over the spoons." (Laughter.) I say that even in that class of life you hesitate to accord your confidence until you know something of the past of the man, and so it is with the government. I am charged with the doctrine of the clean slate. But I did not mean by the doctrine of the clean slate that the government should be able at the end of five or six years to wipe out its previous record to the country. It is our duty to remember certain past acts of the government when they ask us for our confidence.

## Some Past Acts.

There are three, at any rate, which I shall not easily forget. In the first place, the "buried" inquiry into the raid. (Loud cheers.) I do not say that there was anything to conceal, but it did produce a sinister and unimpressive impression, more especially on the Continent of Europe, that there was something to conceal—(renewed cheers)—and friendship of nations for us, but also at our national honor. (Cheers.) In the second place, I cannot forget that they plunged us with a light heart into war without foresight and without preparation, which brought on us both humiliation and reverse. (Cheers.) And in the next place, I cannot forget that they appealed to the country in 1900 on what was essentially a false issue—"Hear, hear," and cheers—a piece of sharp practice—for I can call it nothing else—which must be it soon or be it late, inevitably recoil upon themselves. (Renewed cheering.) I say then, gentlemen, when I am asked to give my confidence to the present administration, that I must inevitably look back to the past. We may forgive, but we cannot forget. (Loud and long-continued cheering.)

## IT ISN'T TALKING THAT COUNTS

It is our earnest desire to make you a regular and pleased customer. We do not believe in long and tiresome arguments. Our large stock of pure drugs, proprietary medicines, perfumes and toilet specialties and our close prices, will impress you more favorably than long newspaper talks.

## HAVE YOU USED IT?

Have you used Paine's Celery Compound? If not, we strongly recommend its use if you are nervous, weak, run-down, or suffering from rumination, neuralgia or blood diseases. Paine's Celery Compound is the most reliable and efficacious medicine now before the public for rebuilding lost strength. Our stock is always fresh and pure.

D. E. Campbell, druggist, corner Fort and Douglas streets, Victoria, B. C.

## NEW MACHINE GUN.

Invention of a Danish Officer and a Single Soldier Can Carry It.

A new machine gun which may cause a revolution in infantry tactics has been recently invented by a Danish officer and formally adopted by the Danish army. This gun has all the advantages of the old machine gun with none of its disadvantages. Whereas the old style gun is a heavy piece of artillery mounted on wheels, the new gun weighs only

thirteen pounds and may be carried, together with its tripod and ammunition, by a single soldier. The tripod which holds the gun is not absolutely necessary, as the weapon may be supported on any makeshift crotch, like an ordinary rifle, when occasion demands it. This portable weapon may be fired at the rate of 300 rounds a minute. Its ammunition is carried in curved magazines, each holding 30 rounds, several of which may be packed side by side in a curved knapsack made for the purpose. It may be carried into many places where a

machine gun could never be dragged, as, for instance, mountain fastnesses, where the horses and mules necessary for dragging artillery could not penetrate. Particularly it is adapted to defensive warfare. It has no carriage and needs no shield which may offer itself as a mark to the shells of the enemy. Instead, it can be hidden away during the time of a bombardment. Then when the enemy's infantry advances to the attack the useful little gun can be brought forth, placed upon the parapet and fired with deadliest effect. Another use to

which this weapon may be put to advantage is the arming of marines, to whom in the small operations on shore in which they are apt to take part it would be of wonderful assistance. Military experts say that the possibilities that may be found in a corps of mounted infantry with a third of its number carrying these weapons and the remainder carrying ammunition are startling to contemplate, as the corps thus equipped would combine the qualities of infantry, cavalry and artillery and would be almost invincible.

## A MAN MADE OVER.

Dr. McLaughlin.

Dear Sir: It is a long time since I wrote you, and I am pleased to tell you that I never feel any trouble in my back now. It has done wonderful work on my back. You can't tell how pleased I feel, for I can now work my ten hours a day, and never feel any pain. I think I am stronger now than I ever was, and I have gone up in weight from 150 to 165 pounds. My health is something wonderful. I can truthfully say that I am a new man. I don't think I shall ever be tired of telling everybody what the Belt has done for me. I feel it a favor and consider it my duty to do so. Hoping that you will have great demand for your wonderful Belt (I might say your health restorer—man building Belt), I remain, yours truly, James Chapman, 1205 Seymour St., Vancouver, B. C., January 7th, 1903.

## Men, Read It!

## Dr. McLaughlin's Electric Belt Will Do This For You



What would you give to have your old vim back again? What would you not sacrifice to feel as you did a few years ago: to have the same snap and energy, the same gladness, joyous, light-hearted spirit and the physical strength you used to have? You know you are not the same man, and you know you would like to be. You might as well be. It's easy. I am making men out of wrecks every day, and I can make you as good a man as you ever were with

## Dr. McLaughlin's Electric Belt.

My arguments are good, my system is good, but I know you haven't time to study these. You want proof, and I give you that, and lots of it. When your own neighbor tells you I cured him you will know I did it.

Tell me where you are and I'll give you the name of a man in your own town I've cured.

## I Will Pay \$1000

For a case of Nervous Debility, Varicocele, Early Decay and Waste of Power, Rheumatism, Lame Back, Lumbago, Sciatica, any case of Kidney Disease that has not gone as far as Bright's Disease, Indigestion, Constipation or any weakness caused by ignoring the laws of nature, which I cannot cure with my new improved Electric Belt, the marvel of electricians, the most wonderful curative device that has ever been introduced.

My Electric Suspensory carries the current direct to the weak parts and cures all weakness of men, varicocele, etc. It develops all weak organs and checks unnatural drains. No case of Failing Vigor, Varicocele or Debility can resist the powerful Electric Suspensory. It never fails to cure. It is free with Belts for weak men.

No man should be weak, no man should suffer the loss of that vital element which renders life worth living. No man should allow himself to become less a man than nature intended him; no man should suffer when there is at hand a certain cure for his weakness, a check to his waste of power.

Most of the pains, most of the weakness of stomach, heart, brain and nerves, from which men suffer, are due to an early loss of nature's reserve power through mistakes of youth. You need not suffer for this. You can be restored. The very element which you have lost you can get back, and you may be as happy as any man that lives. My Belt has a

## Free Electric Suspensory for Weak Men

Call and Test It To-Day! If You Can't Call, Send for My Book—Free.

**CAUTION.** In order to protect the reputation of my Belt, I am compelled to caution people against certain concerns that are advertising electric belts. My office contains hundreds of these magnet bands that possess no virtue. Even if they did, those selling them could not advise the proper manner to apply them.

**READ WITH CARE.**—Dr. McLaughlin's is positively the only electric appliance sold in Canada with which the patient has the care of a physician. I do not allow agents or drug stores to handle my Belts.

**FREE BOOK.** Write for my beautiful illustrated Book showing how my Belt is used. I want you to read this book and learn the truth about my arguments. If you cut it from rheumatic pains, weak kidneys, loss of vitality, prostatic troubles, nervous spells, varicocele, or any ailments of that kind that manly you, this book contains information you should know; it explains my method thoroughly. I send it closely sealed without marks free upon application. If you are not the man or woman you should be call or write at once. **CONSULTATION FREE.**

I Have a Book Especially for Women Also.

WE PAY DUTY.

Dr. M. E. McLAUGHLIN, 106 Columbia St., Seattle Wash.

Times Building, 26 Broad Street.

Makers of High-Class Half-Tone Engravings and Zinc Etchings for catalogues, newspapers and all illustrative work. Original designs furnished by our own artists. Finest plates for tourist associations, transportation companies, etc., as well as coarse etchings for commercial use, made on short notice. Samples and prices on application.